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Thu 2100	WTWW	9479	[confirmed]
Fri 0329v	WWRB	5050	[confirmed]
Sat 0130v	WBCQ	5110v-CUSB Area 51	[confirmed]
Sat 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1500	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1730	WRMI	9955	
Sun 0400	WTWW	5755	
Sun 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1530	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1730	WRMI	9955	
Mon 0500	WRMI	9955	
Mon 1130	WRMI	9955	
Tue 0930	HLR	5980	Hamburger Lokal Radio
Thu 0330	WRMI	9955	[or maybe 1616 if ready in time]

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** ALASKA. 9655, KNLS, Anchor Point, 1033-1050 May 1, English; Don Henley tune; devotional re "wrestling with conflict"; contact info & "This is your new life station, KNLS" ID at 1039; feature re NRB company supplying media with religious materials since the 1940's; program "Profiles in Christian Music" at 1048; fair (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA [non]. Heard here at 0400 March 25 on 7295, not heard again until April 24 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria via Wolfgang Bueschel, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

Non-natives have a hard time with our word ``until`` --- I think what he really meant was that he *still* has *not* heard it *as of* April 24, Right, Rumen? This was his original wording:

``ALGERIA [non]. FRANCE [ALGERIA], 7295, After March 25 when I heard

"Huna Dzezair Idaatu Kurano Kerim" at 0400 UT on 7295 kHz {via Issoudun-France 162+194deg}. I didn't found another their broadcast till today Apr 24 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 25 via DXLD 12-17)`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGUILLA. 6090, University Network (presumed); 2337, 27-Apr; Rev. Barbie explaining things. S20; about 15 sec. ahead of 13845 WWCR (presumed) -- yes, a dekasesquisecond! SIO=4+54-. 0130, 29-Apr; Rev. Barbie rambling. S30 with minor 6095 splash // 5935 WWCR (presumed), S40 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST) So in the second case were they synchronized? Sometimes they are, or used to be from same satellite downlink. Maybe have alternate backup routing (gh, DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. De Nordelta a Suecia --- Escuchada por varios colegas la AK Radio 89.9 en 1700 AM, 1699.991 para ser exacto (Henrik Klemetz, Suecia, April 30, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Estimado Henrik: Casualmente el pasado dia viernes 27 de Abril, visitando por razones laborales la ciudad de Pilar, en la provincia de Buenos Aires, tuve ocasiÛn de escuchar con muy buena recepciÛn esta nueva emisora de la X-Band argentina. Hasta ahora la emisora se venÌa sintonizando en frecuencia modulada exclusivamente. No tengo duda alguna que la utilizaciÛn de esta QRG deviene de alg˙n tipo de acuerdo comercial o convenio celebrado con quienes explotaban la misma hasta ahora, en la misma zona, a travÈs de AM 1700 Fant·stico. Al margen de la novedad, es sencillamente maravillosa la escucha que han realizado los colegas suecos. Hay algo de info de la estaciÛn (sin referencias a la frecuencia de onda media) en http://www.akradio.com.ar/
73 (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, ibid.)

Apreciado Arnaldo: A Fredrik DourÈn le acaban de comunicar precisamente lo que decÌs, o sea que hay un acuerdo temporal con los dueÒos de Fant·stico para que pase AK 89.9 su programaciÛn por la frecuencia de AM de aquella. Lo que no entendemos es como en m·s o menos la misma zona geogr·fica pueda haber en 89.9 otra emisora, concretamente una que se llama Eclipse FM. 73 (Henrik Klemetz, ibid.)

** ARGENTINA [and non]. Vengo de corregirle a un diexista ruso en Youtube un video en el que supuestamente mostraba una captaciÛn de LOL en 10000 khz, y que era notoriamente, a pesar de la baja seÒal, PPE, el Observatorio Nacional de RÌo de Janeiro, Brasil, en la misma frecuencia.

Lo cual me dejo con la incÛgnita: øLOL sigue transmitiendo? Y en todo caso, ødÛnde y cu·ndo? Que tiempos aquellos en que se la escuchaba en 5000, 10000 y 15000. Y la otra de la Armada Argentina, LQB9 en 8167

kHz. 73 de CX2ABP (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, April 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Hola Rodolfo! La ultima vez que capte a LOL fue en 5000 khz hace no menos de dos aÒos, en horas de la tarde. 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, ibid.)

SuponÌa que estaba inactiva. Hace aÒares que no la escucho. Esperemos que vuelva un dÌa de estos. 73 de (CX2ABP, ibid.)

** ARGENTINA. 15345.3, 2002 30/4, RAE, French program, news, tangos, good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345.11, 2200 1/5, RAE, many IDs and start program in Spanish, good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. 4810, R. Republic Armenia, Yerevan. New [Arabic] ID ìIdaatu Jumhuria Armeniaî (Radio Republic Armenia) at s/on at 1900 on 16/4. In previous years they started at 1800 during their DST, but seems like Russia, Armenia keeps on Winter time (which was = Summertime in 2011). Voice of Justice from Nagorno-Karabakh also goes on ñ on 25/4 was heard 0600-0700 on 9677.4 instead of 0500-0530 as in previous Summers (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** ARMENIA. 9400, IRRS, 2153-2200:30*, tune-in to Overcomer Ministry with Brother Stair. Abrupt sign off. Poor to fair in noisy conditions. Apr 28 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest) see SOUTH CAROLINA

** ASCENSION. 17640, April 30 at 1346, BBCWS in English with long / short path echo. This is helpfully aimed 114 degrees from English Bay, so the long path traverses S. Africa, exiting over East London (shouldn`t that be South London?), across Indian Ocean near Amsterdam Island, WA and NT Australia, PNG, north of Hawaii, entering N. America at San Francisco, as viewed on the NGS globe with geometer. Short path is about 6650 miles, so long path is 18350 miles, or 11700 miles further. At the 186,000 miles per second speed of radio, the delay is only 0.06 second (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 9590, April 26 at 1250 surprised to find this RA frequency absent, while 9580 had interview about lack of public toilets for women in India. Searching for stories via http://www.abc.net.au/ra
do not use quotation marks unless you want a lot of extraneous off-topic stories. Without them, by most recent this came right up:

http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/program/connect-asia/indian-activists-campaign-for-womens-right-to-pee/933868

9890, April 26 at 1304 even more surprised to find bigsig from RA on this unscheduled frequency, // 9580. YL DJ never mentions SW frequencies as if they don`t exist! Just FM frequencies in various Asian/Pacific cities, such as Phnom Penh, which is appropriate since from 1314 there is another report lifted from a real ABC program, about plans for 10 dams along the lower Mekong, 8 in Laos and 2 in Cambodia, and the dire consequences upon agriculture and the fishery (fish ladders inadequate; these aren`t salmon); possibility of conflict or at least legal action between Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam over this issue. Dams of course are for hydro power. Why haven`t we heard anything about this on US media? Here it is:

http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/program/connect-asia/hydroelectric-dam-could-cause-human-security-disaster-for-se-asia/933862

And related:
http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/program/asia-pacific/australians-share-fishery-knowledge-with-laotians/934232

Getting back to the point, what is RA doing on 9890???? And still not on 9590? I suspect 9890 was a keypad punching error for 9590, perhaps in too big a hurry to get it back on the air after going down for some reason earlier. I don`t think 9890 was on before 1300, or I would have noticed it when tuning the RHC spurs above 9850 at 1252, see CUBA.

9890 still running at 1357 with ``Baby Elephant Walk``, YL DJ intros Chuck Berry`s ``30 Days``, 1400 fade to RA news starting with Cambodian environmental activist killed near a hydro dam.

But that`s not all. Nominal schedule, still displayed on the RA website, is 9580 until 1400, 9590 until 1600. In reality, 9580 normally cuts off mid-programming at 1358, but not today. It too keeps going past 1400, and both are still on at final check 1427. Something very wrong at Shepparton, apparently. Why aren`t there alarums, or fail-safes to prevent transmitting on wrong frequencies?

HFCC shows 9890 at 1330-1400 with FEBC Mandarin from Bocaue, which was inaudible here, must have been heavily QRMed in China; and from 1400 CNR from China itself. Aoki clarifies: FEBC in ``Yunnan`` language, and then CNR13 in Uighur from Lingshi 725 site.

BTW, there are STILL NO SHP listings in the latest HFCC of April 26 === R. Australia as if it did not exist! Where are you, Bernd Friedewald, RA frequency manager?

Contrary to my assumption in last report, RA has just made major frequency schedule changes, a month after A-12 began for everyone else, rather than being on `wrong` frequencies.

13630, April 27 at 0505, RA fair here about PNG, // good 15515, but missing from 13690 and 15160. Previously, RA English had been reliable on four frequencies at this hour, 13630, 13690, 15160 and 15240.

15240 is on with Indonesian now, altho language lessons in English. Learning how to say ``stand still while we search your suitcase`` at 0519, seems to be called `English for Study in Australia`, then music. Alternating English and Indonesian semihours at midday had previously been on 15415.

A very weak signal on 15415 at 0514 seems // the other RA English, 15515 and 13630, altho this one is toward Asia and sometimes separate.

At 1254, I find the same situation as yesterday morning, 9590 is gone, 9580 is still on, as is much weaker 9475. 9560 is also gone. 9890 is not on yet. 6020 is audible but no DRM or AM on 5995. 6140 seems to be on, very weak Singapore relay. Then I find another new one, 11945, all of these in English.

From *1259, 9890 is now on just in time for news on the hour, and 11945, 9580 continue. Can`t tell about 9475 with WTWW just starting on 9479. After 1300, no RA signals audible on 6 MHz band, nor 7.

1305 program is `Asia Pacific Business`, but it`s only 10 minutes, then at 1315 `RA Album of the Week`, mostly monolog from some musician, with bits of his music interspersed. It looks like the program schedule has also changed. From 1330 a show discussing religion and American politix, i.e. `Religion and Ethics Report`. These are now displayed correctly at http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/programschedule?tz=0&stream=pacific

From 1329, I can hear weak CCI underneath 9890, presumably FEBC being blown away.

After 1400: 11945, 9890 and 9580 are still on, but no longer any 7240 which used to start at this hour. Can`t hear any signals on 6 MHz now 2+ hours after sunrise tho there could be some. Meanwhile I was also scanning the 13, 15 and 17 MHz bands, and found no RA, not that I expected to, in their nightmiddle. At final check 1423, 11945 still on but weakening // 9890, 9580.

Has RA`s own, never-dated, English frequency schedule been updated as of 1530 UT April 27?

http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/waystolisten/abc-radio-shortwave-frequency-guide.pdf
Of course not! Still shows the old usage pre-April 26, none of the new times and frequencies above we have been hearing, and still nothing from Shepparton registered with HFCC. I suppose the complete new schedule will emerge eventually when they are good and ready.

9890 is not yet in Aoki; however EiBi shows this:
9890 1300-1500 AUS Radio Australia DIGITAL E Oc s
So this mess may be caused by trying to get the DRM service going, delayed since April 1, altho 9890 is sure not in DRM yet. 11945 was already on the schedules to E Asia, but closing at 1300.

Maybe all this will be revealed in the WRTH A-12 update, pending any day now, via http://www.wrth.com/updates_new.asp

April 28, another day reconfirming fragments of new schedule of R. Australia, which they have still failed to display on their own website:

13630 on from *0500 in English, still no 13690 or 15160.

15240 at 0501 is again in Indonesian, good signal here obviously still on one of the Pacific azimuths, *not* toward Indonesia. While the other changes may be intentional, surely this is a mixup. Indonesian segments had previously been on 15415 at proper angle, but now that stays in English with much weaker signal here, and // much stronger 15515 to Pacific, equivalent strength to 15240 and ex-15160.

As for programming, since it`s Saturday afternoon, 13630, 15415 and 15515 are playing a silly ballgame from before 0529, onwards.

What will happen on 15240, the Indonesian frequency which reverts to English at 0530? After a torch song in English, ``Georgia on My Mind`` as outroed in English, a brief Indonesian announcement, and 0530 cut to English service in mid-sentence, report about the Tasmanian Fungi Festival, I kid you not, and how visiting Europeans and Chinese should *not* eat Aussie ``death-cap`` mushrooms which *look* like safe ones they are familiar with. Good to know. 0533 on to report about a Japanese soccer ball being found on the Alaska coast, having been transported by the tsunami, and how the finder will be returning it to the owner whose ID info was visible upon it --- an old story; I know I heard the exact same report several days ago. According to the online program schedules, both Asia and Pacific at 05-07 Saturday are supposed to carry ``Live talk and music with Al Crombie``, and no ``Grandstand`` until 0700, but obviously not so.

After sunrise, too busy chasing other stuff to check much RA, but

still on 9580, 9890 and 11945 before 1500. Both 9`s are off at 1504, altho something is still JBA on 11945, supposedly in a semi-hour break between Romania and Iran (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RA 10-12 UT time slot. * logged April 28; - negative off; n = new
seemingly 9590 replaced by 6080 kHz, like this

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 5995 0800*1200 51,56,61,64,65            BRN  10  10   0 145 Mul  AUS
 6020 0900*1400 51,55,56,64,65            SHP 100  30   0 151 Mul  AUS
 6080 1000n1400 44,45,50,51,54E,55,59N,64 SHP 100 334 -13 206 Mul  AUS
 6140 1100*1300 49S,54                    SNG 100  13 -12 146 Engl SNG
 9475 0700*1430 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N     SHP 100 329 -13 211 Mul  AUS
 9560 1100-1400 45,51,54E,55,56,64,65     SHP 100 353   0 902 Mul  AUS
 9580 0800*1400 56,60-63                  SHP 100 70    0 216 Mul  AUS
 9590 0800-1600 51,55,56,60-65            SHP 100 30    0 151 Mul  AUS
 9710 0900*1100 45,51,54E,55,56W,64,65W   SHP 100 353   0 902 Mul  AUS
11945 0700*1300 44,49-51,54,55,58N        SHP 100 329 -13 216 Mul  AUS
12080 0000*1200 51,56,60-62               BRN  10  80   0 145 Mul  AUS
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wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11945, Radio Australia; 1447-1500+, 28-Apr; W in English with C&W program; RA News at 1500. SIO=333- with hiss QRM. // 9580, SIO=3+53+; // 9890, SIO=353. 9580 & 9890 went off abruptly at 1458; 11945 continued past 1500, but much weaker. (Frodge-MI2)

15515, Radio Australia; 0402...0431, 29-Apr; English, Raiders vs Sharks footie game call. SIO=2+33 in LSB, needed due to strong whine QRM. Whine gone at 0409 recheck; now SIO=3+53; //15160, SIO=353. 0431 check // 17750 vweak; no hint of audio on sked 21725 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

21740, R. Australia, 4/28 2250. Interviews, fanfare and news by F at TOH. Armchair quality. Stayed on and closed at 0100 (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, S-77A, HQ-200, SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky, l.w., NASWA yg via DXLD)

15240, April 29 at 0517, RA still in Indonesian on the wrong frequency and/or antenna, aimed toward Pacific and US (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello, just a note about R Australia. I have been listening to them with a very good signal on the 29th and 30 of April at 0000 UT on 19000 kHz???? Yes, that`s right, I live in eastern Canada. Much better signal on 19000 than the 17 MHz frequency [17795?]. Thanks (Andy in Magog, Quebec, Canada, ve2otw, 0103 UT April 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Andre, Tnx, I had not thought to check there. It`s one of the frequencies planned for DRM. It may not be in AM for long, as I assume you heard it. Will check it myself now. 73, (Glenn to Andre, 0128 UT, ibid.)

Just curious --- do you receive it at your QTH?? (Andre, ibid.)

Yes, coming in quite well. Unfortunately the FRG-7 puts its own internal `carrier ` on even MHz causing a bit of a het. Still on past 0230 (Glenn to Andre, ibid.)

19000, April 30 at 0137, R. Australia with good signal in English, new frequency. Unfortunately, even-MHz frequencies are subject to birdies on the FRG-7 Wadley loop circuit, making a slight het whether tuned to top of the 18-19 range, or bottom of the 19-20. Tnx to tip from Andy Bonin, VE2OTW in Magog, Quebec, Canada, who first heard 19000 April 29 from 0000.

19000 is one of the frequencies planned for new DRM service which was supposed to start April 1, but delayed for some reason. So we should not be surprised if it and others like 9890 suddenly switch to DRM mode. That schedule was:

``Time UT kHz   Target DRM mode
0100-0300 19000 central Pacific C 10 kHz 16QAM level 1 11 kb/s
0700-0900 7410 south-west Pacific B 10 kHz 64QAM level 2 24 kb/s
0900-1100 9475 south-west Pacific B 10 kHz 64QAM level 2 24 kb/s
1100-1300 6080 west Pacific & PNG C 10 kHz 16QAM level 1 11 kb/s
1300-1500 9890 central Pacific C 10 kHz 16QAM level 1 11 kb/s
1500-1700 5940 SE-Asia C 10 kHz 16QAM level 1 11 kb/s
1700-1900 9475 SE-Asia C 10 kHz 16QAM level 1 11 kb/s
(Nigel Holmes, Chief Engineer, Radio Australia via Craig Seager, Australian Radio DX Club via Alokesh Gupta, March 20, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1609, DXLD 12-12)``

The YL DJ on 19000 before 0200 seemed to have a French accent. I wonder if she`s another repurposed survivor of the cancelled RA French service, like the manager himself. Still in well at 0230, but not at 0330; presumably went off at 0300.

15160, which has been missing after 0500, is still on the air before 0500, heard at 0411 April 30 // 15515, equivalent signals USward.

12080, April 30 at 0535, RA audible with poor signal in talk // 13630 and 15515, but not // 15240, other RA English playing music at the moment, presumably Asian service following Indonesian, aimed mistakenly into the Pacific and North America. See also UNID 6020.

It`s May 1 in Melbourne and has this schedule been updated to show any of the new times and frequencies? No!
http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/waystolisten/abc-radio-shortwave-frequency-guide.pdf

I then go to the Indonesian language website, and link to its SW frequency schedule to find whether 15240 is in it:
http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/indonesian/radio/waystolisten/abc-radio-shortwave-frequency-guide.pdf
But it`s obviously just about English, not Indonesian! Where instead you are supposed to listen to the FM relay nearest you (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Per your info, I am hearing Australia on 19000. Don`t know how I missed it before. But I am hearing an even stronger // on 21740. Noted the French accented F announcer on right now, with modern pop music, at 0010 UT. Regards (Rick in El Mirage AZ, UT May 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MY RA LOGS APR 28-30 --- Glenn, RA Indonesian 0400-0530 UT is every day now on 15240 (ex 15415). Here are the log table entries.

Radio Australia logged April 28-30.
* logged April 28/30;
- negative, not observed;
n = new

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 5995 0800*1200 51,56,61,64,65           BRN  10 10  D Mul    AUS ABC
 5995 1200*1400 51,56,61,64,65           BRN   5 10  N Mul    AUS ABC
 5995 1400*1800 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 6020 0900*1100 51,55,56,64,65           SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 6020 1100*1400 51,55,56,61,76,77        SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 6080 1000n1300 44,45,50,51,54E,55,59N,64SHP 100 334 D Mul    AUS ABC
 6080 1400-1800 44,45,50,51,54E,55,59N,64SHP 100 334 D Mul    AUS ABC
 6080 1800*2100 45,50,51,54E,56W,64      SHP 100 5   D Mul    AUS ABC
 6140 1100*1300 49S,54                   SNG 100 13  D EnglishSNG BAB
 7240 1400-1700 56,60-63,76,77           SHP 100 50  D Mul    AUS ABC
 7240 1800*2000 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 7240 2000*2100 51,55,56,61,64,65        SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9475 0700*1430 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N    SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9475 1300*1430 Chin
 9475 1430*1900 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N    SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9490 2300 2330 49NW                     DHA 500 85  D BurmeseUAE BAB
 9500 1800*2200 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N    SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9540 1600 1630 49S,54                   SNG 100 340 D EnglishSNG BAB
 9560 1100-1400 45,51,54E,55,56,64,65    SHP 100 353 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9580 0800*1500 56,60-63                 SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
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 9580 1700*2000 56,60-63                 SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9590 0800-1600 51,55,56,60-65           SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9660 0000*0800 51,56,61,64,65           BRN  10 10  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9660 2100*2400 51,56,61,64,65           BRN  10 10  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9695 2200 2330 51W,54                   DHA 500 105 D IndonesUAE BAB
 9700 2000-2200
 9710 0700 0900 45,51,54E,55,56W,64,65W  SHP 100 353 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9710 0900*1100 45,51,54E,55,56W,64,65W  SHP 100 353 D Mul    AUS ABC
 9710 1600*2000 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
 9855 2200*2400 49S,54                   DHA 500 105 D EnglishUAE BAB
 9890 1400 1700 new
 9965 1300*1430 43SE,44S,49              HBN 100 318 D cmn    USA FCC
 9965 1300*1430 43NE,44N                 HBN 100 318 D ChineseUSA BAB
 9965 1430 1500 41,49,50,54              HBN 100 270 D eng    USA FCC
 9965 1600 1630 49NW                     HBN 100 270 D mya    USA FCC
11650 2000*2200 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
11660 1300-1430 Chin, 1430-1700 En
11660 2000*2200 56,60-63,76,77           SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
11695 2100*2200 50,51,54,55,58N          SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
11695 2200*2330 50,51,54,55,58N          SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
11700 0500 0530 51W,54                   SNG 100 140 D IndonesSNG BAB
11780 0100 0130 49NW                     SNG 100 340 D BurmeseSNG BAB
11880 1700*2100 56,60-63,65              SHP 100 50  D Mul    AUS ABC
11945 0600*1500 44,49-51,54,55,58N       SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
12005 0000 0030 51W,54                   DHA 500 105 D IndonesUAE BAB
12080 0000*1100 51,56,60-62              BRN  10 80  D Mul    AUS ABC
12080 1100 1200 51,56,60-62              BRN   5 80  N Mul    AUS ABC
12080 2000*2400 51,56,60-62              BRN  10 80  D Mul    AUS ABC
13630 0500*0900 56,60-63,76,77           SHP 100 50  D Mul    AUS ABC
13630 2100*2300 51E,56,61,64,65          SHP 100 65  D Mul    AUS ABC
13690 2300-0700 45,51,54E,55,64          SHP 100 353 D Mul    AUS ABC
15160 0400*0500 56,60-63                 SHP 100 65  D Mul    AUS ABC
15230 2200*2400 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
15240 0000*0800 51,55,56,61,64,65        SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
15240 Ins 0400-0530 ex 15415
15360 2200-2400 56,60-63                 SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
15415 2200*0700 50,51,54,55,58N          SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
15415 not Ins 0400-0530
15515 0200*0500 61-63                    SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
15515 not Ins 0400-0530
15515 0500*0600 61-63 ???                SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
15515 2000*2300 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77  SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
15560 2200-2400 56,60-63                 SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
17715 0000 0200 56,60-63,76,77           SHP 100 70  D Mul    AUS ABC
17750 0000*0700 44,49-51,54,55,58N       SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
17750 2330 2400 50,51,54,55,58N          SHP 100 329 D Mul    AUS ABC
17795 2300 0200 51E,56,61-65             SHP 100 50  D Mul    AUS ABC
17800 0400 0430 51W,54                   HBN 100 270 D IndonesUSA BAB
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21725 0130*0700 45,50,51,54W,55,56,64,65 SHP 100 355 D Mul AUS ABC
(wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Apr 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Above looks like HFCC format, but there is NO ABC SHP info in latest A-12 HFCC. Is the basis for it a previous season schedule? (gh, DXLD)

Radio Australia logged April 28-30, May 1st.
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 5940 1500 1700 new                      SHP         D        AUS ABC
 7410 0700 0900 new                      SHP         D        AUS ABC
 9890 1300 1500 new, couldn't traced here.
15240 0000 0800 51,55,56,61,64,65        SHP 100 30  D Mul    AUS ABC
15240 Ins 0400-0530 ex 15415
19000 0100 0300 new                      SHP         D        AUS ABC
21725 0300 0700 45,50,51,54W,55,56,64,65 SHP 100 355 D Mul    AUS ABC
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(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Apr 30/May 1, DXLD)

19000, Radio Australia Shepparton, new scheduled 01-03 UT, heard in English at 0230 UT May 1st. S=8-9 signal in Tokyo-JPN. Featured short of food in East Africa Dafour and in Somalia.

7410, Radio Australia Shepparton, new scheduled 07-09 UT, heard in English at 0850 UT May 1st. S=9+5dB signal in Tokyo-JPN. TX switched OFF at 0856:50 UT.

5940, Radio Australia Shepparton, new scheduled 15-17 UT, heard in English at 1500 UT May 1st. S=9+40dB powerhouse signal in Brisbane-AUS. Poor signals also observed on remote units of Perseus network at Iceland and northern Finland from 1500 UT.

1505 UT Asia-Pacific features, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton headed to China as US officials raced to find a solution to a sensitive row over a top dissident reportedly holed up at the US embassy in Beijing. A bomb explosion attacked a vehicle of security forces in Quetta PAK, killing at least two persons and injuring fifteen others (B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

Hello Wolfgang, Just saw this after posting my logs to the group. This what I heard yesterday, May 1st, with extended schedules.

6080, R. Australia, Shepparton, 1013-1024 May 1 Tok Pisin; Two M announcers in discussion; several ments. "..development foundation.." & phone # 61-427-72-72-72; mx at 1023; fair-good; //5995 (Scott R. Barbour, Jr., Intervale, NH, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6020, R. Australia (tentative) 5/1, 1345, Long talk by M and F in Chinese. Sounded like wrap-up of programming, heard definite clear mention of "Radio Australia" at 1355. went dark a minute before the hour. Recently, have heard what sounded like promos for Radio

Australia programming here also (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, mobile setup, DX-375 and Wilson CB antenna, NASWA yg via DXLD)

11945, R. Australia, Shepparton, 1403-1413 May 1, English; ABC news re death of Norwegian swimmer, Alexander Dale Oen; ID in passing at 1405, mentioned Asia & Pacific, phone number; pop ballad; ID & URL promo at 1410 into more pops; fair (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Further monitoring of R. Australia, lacking any new schedule following significant changes a week ago, no response to our direct request for one, nor on their own website, and of course, nothing at all registered with HFCC:

15160, May 1 at 0443, English is on here // 15515, about equal signals, and slightly weaker on 15240 in Indonesian, which used to be in English.

6020, May 1 at 1307, SSOB in Chinese, just the kind of signal RA used to provide in English --- as Rick Barton, AZ suggested, I bet this is now really RA. Kept listening and finally at 1317 a bit of music and pronouncing ``Radio Australia`` as in English. So yet another frequency which has changed languages/times away from English!

Deliberate, or program feed lines crossed up?? Previously as in WRTH 2012, the only Chinese broadcast was 1300-1430 on 9475 & 11660 from Shep, 9965 from Palau and 11760 from Tanshui, Taiwan. The only one I remembered was 9475, and checking it, once again only a carrier could be detected aside huge WTWW 9479.

RA does its best to discourage SW listening, not only by failing to post accurate, current schedules
http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/international/radio/waystolisten/abc-radio-shortwave-frequency-guide.pdf
but with this warning on the link to them:

``Listening to shortwave requires a specialist shortwave radio. We direct our broadcasts at peak listening times in our target areas of Asia and the Pacific using multiple frequencies. We recommend that where possible, you use an outside antenna to improve reception. Shortwave signals may be subject to interference from other broadcasters' signals, electronic devices such as computers, microwave ovens, TVs, car engines and fluorescent lights.``

21740, May 2 at 0028, RA English very good here on reactivated frequency we used to listen to years ago. Great to have this OSOB back for good evening listening in off-target NAm. This is even stronger

than NF 19000 (AM but destined to be DRM), which in turn is much stronger than old 17795. Tnx to Rick Barton, AZ, for tip about this. Remains to be heard whether this is a fluke or intentional once a new schedule ever emerge. Aoki May 2 shows 21740 was in use April 26 at 22-01, on the most favorable azimuth for US, 70 degrees.

Tending to confirm my theory that recent RAnomalies are not due to intentional changes, but mixed-up program feed lines and/or transmitter/antenna hookups:

15240, which had been in Indonesian until 0530 the past week, May 2 is suddenly back in English! Checked at 0519, // 15515 and 13630 with equivalent signals Pacific- and USward, while much weaker 15415, which used to be in Indonesian at this time toward Asia, is also // in English --- so what has become of Indonesian now??

Another de-change: new 9890, which has been VG in English the past week until 1500, is gone again May 2 at 1303 and further during this hour. This is one which was originally planned to be in DRM, not AM. See also PHILIPPINES. New/extended 11945 English is still running.

Another2 de-change: 6020, which had been in Chinese after 1300 the past week, is back in English! May 2 at 1329 check, // 11945. Also noted by Rick Barton, AZ, 6020 in English until 1400*.

9475, May 2 at 1258 is poorly audible in English, *1259:45 blown away by 9479 WTWW cutting on, but I could still detect RA after 1300 when it had changed to Chinese, just as in the old schedule, and still definitely Chinese at 1331 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HI GLENN - just 24 hours ago I was listening mobile (commuting) to 6020 and hearing what i was sure was R.A., mentioning "Radio Australia" in otherwise Chinese broadcast. Decided to monitor the frequency more this morning. They were on all morning in English this time. Yesterday, for sure, I heard Chinese between 1330-1400 and closing. Today, English to 1400 close. Regards, (Rick in El Mirage (AZ) Barton, May 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 6020, R. Australia, random checking from 1235 to 1356, May 2. RA in English; broadcasting to Thailand; all their scheduling announcements gave local time in Bangkok; mentioned listeners might be hearing them on FM 103 or 101.5 and gave names of towns that sounded like they would be in Thailand. After 1257 QRM from CNR8.

CNR8 suddenly started their programming in Korean at *1257 and still on at 1356. RA slowly improved against CNR8. MP3 audio at http://www.box.com/s/ac3705ee1fe203b82a5a

and
http://www.box.com/s/eeee4b624861561bf07c
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, Et√≥n E1, dxldyg via DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 15340, April 28 at 1229, HCJB Global Voice Australia ID in English, Melbourne address, and into another language starting with a song about Radio Shack(?), probably just similar-sounding words! Fair signal with regular fading, so likely SAH of about 8 Hz, from what? This is well before RHC blows them away from 1300.

What language? HFCC shows ``raw`` at 1230-1300 Sun-Fri, but does not account for anything on 15340 Saturdays --- surely there is something in this continuous transmission. Aoki shows Rawang at 1230-1300 Mon-Sat with nothing on Sundays! Both use numbers for days of week, but there should not be any disparity with 1=Sunday for both. EiBi, OTOH specifies 1=Monday but in this case uses letters Sun-Fri for 1230-1300 Rawang, and nothing on Saturday. WRTH 2012 shows Rawang except on Saturdays, and I`m no going to hunt thru the entire language-order schedule for anything on Saturdays.

Ultimate authority should be HCJB itself. A-12 schedule grid at
http://www.hcjb.org.au/docs/A12_Schedule_HCJB_Australia_20120325-20121027.pdf
shows ``Myanmar - (Rawang) (raw)`` *every* day of the week at 1230-1300 on 15340. So is Rawang the name of a dialect or a program? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRIA. Radio Austria International schedule per their website is now Monday to Friday 0500-0615, Saturday and Sunday 0500-0610 on 6155 to Europe, Monday to Saturday 0800-0833 on 13730 listed as "Welweit Kurzwelle", worldwide shortwave. Checking the HFCC registrations it is beamed at 265 degrees, 100 kW to zones 58-60, Australia and New Zealand. 6155 is 300 kW non directional (Mike Barraclough, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** AZERBAIJAN. 9677.4, Fedaletin Sesi Radiosu (Voice of Justice). Heard 1400-1430 on 13 and 24/4 and 0600-0630 on 14, 18 & 25/4 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

[and non]. The CAUCASUS. Monitoring. April 24, 2012, Voice of Justice was in the air from 1400 to 1426, and today on April 25, 0600-0626 on 9677.4 kHz. In A-10, and A-11 they were from 1300, and 0500 hours.

In addition noticed Armenia in Arabic from 1900, and not as they had in the summer from 1800 to 4810 kHz. So far it is not clear what the local time is in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Nagorno-Karabakh/and in Stepanakert they call themselves NK Republic (RumenPankov, Sofia,

Bulgaria / "deneb-radio-dx" via RusDX April 29 via DXLD) I have attempted to make the English comprehensible I hope correctly (gh)

** BELARUS. 11730, 1825 29/4, Radio Belarus, talks in German, after 1830 Belarussian songs, at 2037 great IDs, very good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELGIUM. Re 12-17 Frans Vossen --- I met Risto V%h%kainu at the Amsterdam Radio Day last November, he was travelling from there to Brussels to meet up with Frans. Frans is on Facebook and celebrated his 70th birthday on February 23 this year (Mike Barraclough, England, May 2, 2012, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELGIUM [non]. Reminder of DX-Antwerp specials May 11: See 12-17

** BERMUDA. Bermuda tropo --- Bermuda Radio is full quiet here at 23Z+ on marine 16 (156.8) and 27 (161.95), working Whisper and one other vessel; operator indicated he's hearing Virginia also. Trying 94.9 here; if Tampa will ever fade down long enough, something non-Miami there briefly at times (David E. Crawford, Indian River City, Florida, United States of America, 28.51N 80.83W, 27 April, WTFDA via DXLD)

Bermuda also a weather radio station on 162.400 (ZBR) (Bill Hepburn, Ont., ibid.)

94.9, ZBM, Power 95 over Tampa here from 2355 to 0005Z, faded back down, trying to squeak back in now at 0013Z (David E. Crawford, Indian River City, FL, April 27-28 UT, ibid.) nr Vero Beach, east coast (gh)

** BHUTAN. 6035.00, 1950-2000 26.04, Bhutan Broadcasting Service, Thimphu, Bhutanese indigenous songs - now on exact 6035.00, 34222, QRM 6030 (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres longwire in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

Bhutan, BBS, 6035 kHz, 1459 UT, YL thanked for listening to BBS after a local song, OM with mostly local news in English. Again checked at 1615 when played local songs only. Poorly modulated. A video file can be found here: http://youtu.be/9DAFq3yV-mA
Is it via the old transmitter? What about new 100 kW transmitter? Thanks, (Swopan Chakroborty, Kolkata, India, May 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BIAFRA [non]. Biafra imminent, S. Sudan, etc. --- A reminder that Radio Biafra London is due to make its second broadcast shortly since reactivation, Thursday 20-21 UT on 11870 due south from Wertachtal, including call-ins from listeners. Wonder if they would like to hear

from some non-Biafran SW listeners? There may be more of us outside than inside (Glenn Hauser, 1842 UT April 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks for your reminder Glenn, Radio Biafra London, 11870 received with a good signal here in Milan Italy, signing on at 1800 UT [NOT: see below] (26 April 2012), ID, web address. Good modulation. End and signal off at 1900 [NOT] UT. Ciao (Giampiero Bernardini, Italy, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Definitely heard Biafra here at *2000-2100* 73, (Brian Alexander, PA, ibid.)

Giampiero, ?? It was supposed to be at 20-21 UT, like last Saturday, and that is when Brian Alexander reports it today. (I could only hear a carrier come on 11870 just before 2000. Was not looking for it at 18-19.) Please reconfirm this time. Or was it on at both times? They still seem to be in testing mode (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Your are right, Glenn. After your notes I turned on my Excalibur Pro and relistened to the recording: I found a mistake in UTC setting, maybe after I reinstalled software two days ago. So after I corrected it I found that Radio Biafra London went on air at 1959:20 UTC correct time. And went off air at 2100 as reported also by Brian. My old Drake R-4C has not such setting problems! Thanks again for observing my mistake (Giampiero, ibid.)

When a mistake has been resolved by the time DXLD goes to `press`, we can just run the correct info, but in this case it might be helpful to others who might run into the same problem (gh, DXLD)

Hi Glenn, Thanks to your timely reminder yesterday, I also heard R Biafra signing-on on 26 April on 11870 at 2000. Very faint at my location, but caught ID and web address and frequency announcement ("11870 kilohertz or 11 point 87 megahertz" at the start (Alan Roe (Teddington, UK), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11870, April 26 at *1959:25 carrier on, very poor signal here in noise level, 2000 music; presumably R. Biafra London, new clandestine as scheduled Thu & Sat 20-21 due south from Wertachtal, GERMANY. Confirmed as such by several monitors further east. Sigh, we are just too far west into the dayside to get decent reception from these Eurafrican evening signals, plus poor propagation conditions. Checked at 2050, nothing audible aside Romania English on 11880 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Via GERMANY. 11870, Radio Biafra, London, *2000-2100*, vernacular and English talk. Talk about the rights of the people of Biafra. Sign off

with local music. Barely audible in noisy conditions at sign on. Improved to a fair level by 2043. Thur, Sat only. April 26 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

11870 kHz Radio Biafra (presumed via Wertachtal): Signing on just before 2000 UT but audio coming on a little late around 2001. So, I missed the starting ID. Into talk about Biafra and Nigeria in local language (Igbo?) and English. ID as "Radio Biafra". Much stronger signal than a week ago, I would give it a SINPO 34433. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Hola Glen[n], excelente seÒal de esta emisora por ac·; te envÌo el audio, 11870 kHz de 2000 a 2059 UT. No sÈ desde donde emite pero llega muy fuerte por Buenos Aires (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Broadcast for Saturday 28 April 2012
kann man die MP3 abspielen
http://www.radiobiafralondon.com/samples.htm
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Via GERMANY. 11870, Radio Biafra, London, *1959-2100*, sign on with local music and into vernacular talk. English ID announcement at 2013 and back to vernacular talk. Mix of vernacular and English discussion about Biafra law and human rights. Sign off with local music. Very weak at sign on but signal abruptly came up to a good level at 2001 with vernacular talk. Thur, Sat only. April 28 (Brian Alexander, PA, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX Listening Digest)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 1000-1020, yl in language, 21 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD)

4409.72, Radio Eco, Reyes, 2350 to 2357, YL vocalist, better than usual signal 23 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

5580.2, Radio San JosÈ, noted strong 0000 to 0020 on 17 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chasqui; 0007-0012+, 0032-0048+, 29-Apr; Camp'o tunes -- high-pitched vocals with concertina; M in non-Spanish; ID at 0045+. Fair peaks (Frodge-MI2)

5954.5 [sic; this one should be on 5952+; Rep˙blica/Costa Rica on

5954+ --- gh] Radio Pio Doce; 0025-0038+, 28-Apr; M&W Spanish discussion with mentions of Bolivia & Santa Cruz; series of promos -- most with children's voices, plus mention of Siglo Veinte at 0037+. SIO=3+32 with clicking QRM & LSB helps with grinder QRM. (Frodge-MI2)

6134.8, Radio Santa Cruz; 0136-0146+, 28-Apr; M in Spanish with variety music; Afro-sounding & baladas; ad string 0143-0146 plus 2 IDs; commentary by M in Spanish at 0147. SIO=322 with buzz bursts (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4699.320, R. San Miguel, noted from 0150 with music. ID at 0202, transmitter off at 0204. Surprised to hear them so well on a night when the magnetic field is so quiet. LAs are usually good here when the field is disturbed, 5/1 (Art Delibert, Maryland, WinRadio Excalibur Pro, Collins 51J-4, Pennant antenna with DX Engineering amp, HCDX via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. Otra seÒal que entra por aquÌ, aunque no muy fuerte, es la de Radio Logos en 4865 y 6165, cerrando sus emisiones a las 23 y algunos minutos UT. Esta emisora emite desde Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia. La captÛ Thomas Nilsson, en el sur de Suecia (Henrik Klemetz, Suecia, April 30, condiglist yg via DXLD) Viz.:

4864.977, 18.4 2307*, R Logos observed here at 2222 in // with 6164.933. The first recording from April 18 was very weak and it was difficult to separate if the station was in Spanish or Portuguese. The recordings from both frequencies were sent to Henrik Klemetz who writes: The 2242-recording is difficult, but the 23-recording 40 secs in seems to be in Spanish. I hear something like "quÈdese con nosotros" and the two last words are not expressed like that in Portuguese. It seems like it correspond to what is said about 6165 in http://www.dxing.info/community/viewtopic.php?f=8&t=1990
Although it wasnít Sunday or holiday but still. /Henrik Klemetz.

On Apr 23 the signal has improved and I managed to get a nice ID and when Henrik checked the recording he says: Good! At 18 secs you can hear in the beginning "Radio Logos,....6165 kcs. Transmitimos desde Santa Cruz de la Sierra..." A few secs later you hear the same frequency again, QTH and "Bolivia" /Henrik Klemetz.

The swisher is causing some trouble on 4864.977. Closedown at 2307z on both frequencies. Henrik has also asked Samuel C·ssio Martins to check the frequency down there. When he was told that is was R Logos he said he has had a feeling that it pointed to this one but unfortunately he has not been able receive the station down there. When listening to another recording from a later day Henrik comments: they mention Radio

Logos without giving the station name any emphasis at all. The final song snippet is probably a bit of a song where you hear the singer Marcos Witt. (I think I recognize his voice). /Henrik Klemetz

Evidently now carrying locally produced programs. Last time (Nov 2011) when I heard R Logos here they relayed ALAS from HCJB. The frequency was checked again the last two nights but no sign of the station on this frequency. Without the help from Henrik Klemetz it had been difficult to nail this one. Thanks a lot Henrik for taking the time to investigate the recordings and your comments! TN (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

6164.933, 18.4 2307*, R Logos also heard here in // with 4864.977. This frequency is not plagued by any swisher like 4864,977. Nice and clear reception. See all comments regarding reception of this one above on the 4864,977 entry (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD) Also compare frequency with very close CHAD, q.v., 6164.962, which also runs late now (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

SHORT WAVE REACHES FAR, WIDE, "LOW," HIGH
http://www.latcom.org/swreach.htm

LATCOMís Radio Logos and Radio Centenario, both short wave transmitters, [WTFK??!! We found out above but not in these articles] are dedicated to reach the rural population of Bolivia. Many Christian AM and FM stations are aimed at rural towns and villages, but only short wave broadcasts can reach the most outlying farms and communities.

Reaching far and wide

We have received signal reports from the AyorÈ settlements in Paraguay; remote areas of Argentina; the cities of Sucre and PotosÌ in the Andes; the Beni region in northern Bolivia; the Mennonite colonies in eastern Bolivia; and in indigenous settlements including San JosÈ de Chiquitos, Yacquiba, and the Guarayos area.

Radio Centenario broadcasts mostly in Spanish while Radio Logos broadcasts mostly in the minority languages of Bolivia. Programs on Logos are broadcast in Ayore, Chiquitano, Quechua, Aymara, GuaranÌ, and Simba GuaranÌ. It also includes an one-hour program in Plautdietsch, the "Low German" spoken by tens of thousands of Mennonites living in several colonies in eastern Bolivia.

Reaching "Low"

One of the producers of this Low German programming is Carl Zacharias

of Winkler, Manitoba, Canada. Carl writes, "There are two other radios that broadcast in Low German; but they are both FM and their signals do not reach very far and cannot reach the Mennonite colonies (further east, north , and south). Listeners have called me (in Canada) from Bolivia to encourage me in the ministry. I believe Radio Logos is a vital link in reaching the Mennonite colonies...."

To learn more about the Mennonites of Bolivia, read and watch Stan Jeterís report on the web.
http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/shows/cwn/2009/June/Churches-Reach-Out-to-Bolivias-Mennonites/

More about Carl Zacharias on the Web can be found here.
http://www.mennoweekly.org/2009/10/19/low-german-alive-even-radio/

Reaching high

In the Andes Mountains, the silver mines of PotosÌ are a long way from the jungles of eastern Bolivia. But Radio Logos is broadcasting the Good News to poor silver miners. According to Pastor Eloy Mollo, not even the local evangelical churches are reaching the remote mining communities above the city. Pastor Mollo was able to distribute 300 GALCOM fixed-frequency radios in these communities. According to Mollo, these people of Quechua descent are listening to the broadcasts (via SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

LOCAL LANGUAGE RADIO
http://www.latcom.org/radio.htm

Why short wave radio is needed

The rural poor do not own televisions ó electrical power is very limited. AM and FM radio waves are not strong enough to penetrate hills and valleys of dense Amazon jungle. Printed materials have little effect since villagers are often illiterate or semi-literate. Evangelical Christians often feel isolated, and they greatly appreciate the daily and weekly Bible teachings.

The broadcasts are truly local, and free

LATCOM distributes small, solar-powered pre-tuned receivers, manufactured by GALCOM of Canada. Thousands have been distributed freely throughout the region.

Programming is centered around Bible readings and a chronological study of the Bible. Using local Bolivians, broadcasting also includes news and programs on health and other educational topics (via SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

Fixed-tuned SW radios are a bane, a tactic beloved of North Korea and gospel huxters to keep captive audiences from listening to anything else. This can also backfire in case interference develop, as e.g. HCJB and HJDH learned to their chagrin (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 5580.242, 20.4 2358, R San JosÈ, San JosÈ de Chiquitos with music. A little later you could hear something like "Estacion del Biblio dios". Only heard this night, so this one seems to be on SW very irregularly (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6055.093, 18.4 2145, tentative R Juan XXIII this night only observed the carrier on my Perseus, see the screenshot below. Closedown at 2202z. The station has been there the following nights but still very weak. Only once observed with audio. Cd every night at 2202z. This was also the sign off time when heard last year (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD) See also UnID 6055.003

** BOLIVIA. 6134.83, Radio Santa Cruz, 0844-0910, tune-in to Spanish talk. Flute IS at 0846 and opening ID announcements. Santa Cruz song at 0848. Bolivian music at 0852. Spanish talk. Weak. Poor in noisy conditions. April 28 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

F˙tbol Boliviano --- Though it has gone unnoticed in North America, the big match in Bolivia today, is pitting the arch rivals, Oriente Petrolero and Blooming, both from Santa Cruz. This is something like Super Bowl Sunday in the US. It is one of the most anticipated soccer matches in Bolivia, battling for top spot in the Bolivian Professional Football League. Currently being broadcast play by play by Radio Santa Cruz on 6134 [sic]. Currently (0015) is a 2-2 tie. Since I tuned in no goals scored, so I have so far missed the exciting
``Goooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooooal!``
(Don Jensen, WI, UT April 30, NASWA yg via DXLD) Soccer is like that

** BOLIVIA. 6154.916, 14.4 0000, R Fides with an ID, decent signal but a little weak modulation (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6165-, R. Logos: see entry above under 4865-

** BRAZIL. 4865.015, 20.4 *2309, R Verdes Florestas with sign on at this time just in the middle of a tune. At 0005 observed with a stable signal now on 4865.029, so the transmitter has a little drift upwards when switched on (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4974.95, R Iguatemi, Osasco, SP, 2300, Apr 17 and 18,

reactivated! Clear ID: îR·dio Iguatemiî, followed by nice local Brazilian songs, ID jingles and chatting in Portuguese by male and female announcers, callers on telephone, laughing. Pretty good signal (Graham Bell, London UK, DSWCI DX Window via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD) Iguatemi is auto-stressed on final -i without accent (gh)

** BRAZIL. 5940.07, Voz Mission·ria, 0400-0445, inspirational music. Portuguese talk. Weak. Poor with adjacent channel splatter. Very weak // 9665.04. April 27 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. 6070, 2102 30/4, R·dio Capital / Deus È Amor, Rio de Janeiro, usual sermons, weak but clear, no Canada! (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6120, R. Globo, S„o Paulo. Presumed, poor in Portuguese with Splash from Havana 6125 in English at 0620 on 25/4 (John Adams, Beech Forest Vic (JRC NRD-535 Ewe and Folded Dipole), May Australian DX News via DXLD)

Must be list-logging per Aoki, full of outdated LA info; instead, do it by LA-SW: ``6120v B Super R·dio Deus È Amor, Curitiba PR [0900-1848](9.9-0.02 Jan12 R PP // 9565, 11765, 11805v (r) "A Voz do Brasil" at 2200-2300[-1] ex R Globo`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6149.973, 28.4 2359, R Record with a clear ID and then into music. Decent strength (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD) not to be confused with R. Bayrak, TRNC

** BRAZIL. 15191.44v, Radio InconfidÍncia, 2245-2300, Portuguese talk. Noticed switching back and forth several times between 15191.44 and 15190.04 at 2248-2250 before settling on 15191.44 at 2250. Fair. April 27. (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

[and non] At 0630 around 15190: R InconfidÍncia on 15191.5 and R Africa on 15190 (just below). Who says SW is dead? (Alexander K., Netherlands, April 27, HCDX via DXLD) K. = Koutamanis?

15191.39, 1950 30/4, R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte, talks, reports, many IDs, good till 2000 when Family Radio starts on 15195 with strong signal and make QRM (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15191.48, 2130 1/5, R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte, songs, news, meteo, nice signal, good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, dxldyg via DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Hora santa catÛlica - 24054.8 khz USB "hora santa" 2130 UT 29-abr-2012 rs:5-9, al parecer se trata de una frecuencia de encuentro de varios operadores brasileÒos de free-band que oran via radio con responsos de los dem·s participantes, seg˙n los roger-bib que se escuchan. AquÌ una muestra de lo captado:
http://www.goear.com/listen/2c6167e/24054-hora-santa-hk3ort
73 y buenos DX (JosÈ LuÌs de Vicente, HK3ORT, Colombia, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Muito interessante. Gostei muito. Primeira vez que vejo uma iniciativa parecida. ParabÈns a estes operadores (Jo„o S Araujo, S„o Paulo - SP, ibid.)

** BULGARIA. AM broadcasting (Long and Medium Waves), updated:
Vakarel 5 261 VAK 075 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1
Vidin 1,not 2 576 VDN 400 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1,x1224, Nov.1 or Dec.1
Petrich 747 PET 300 kW 1600-2300 Radio Bulgaria till Feb.13
Salmanovo 747 SLM 010 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1+Turkish Minority
Varna 1 774 VRN 075 kW 0300-0100 Radio Varna till Sep.30
Blagoevgrad 864 BLD 075 kW 0300-2100 Radio Blagoevgrad, local prgr.
Samuil 864 SML 010 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1+Turkish Minority
Stara Zagora 2 873 STZ 060 kW 0200-2400 Radio Stara Zagora+HS-2 till Sep.30
Shumen 2 963 SHM 075 kW 0200-2400 Radio Shumen+HS-1 till Sep.30
Dragoman 4 963 DRA 040 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1 till Sep.30
Kardjali 2 963 KRL 050 kW 0200-2400 Horizont HS-1+Turkish till Sep.30
Malko Tarnovo 963 MTN 005 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1 till Feb.29
Doulovo 1161 DLV 010 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1+Turkish Minority
Targovishte 1161 TRG 010 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1+Turkish Minority
Vidin 1 1224 VDN 300 kW 0430-0630 Radio Bulgaria Mon-Fri till May 31
Vidin 1 1224 VDN 300 kW 0400-0800 Radio Bulgaria Sat/Sun till May 31
Vidin 1 1224 VDN 300 kW 1500-2200 Radio Bulgaria Daily till May 31
Kardjali 1 1296 KRL 075 kW 0300-2100 Hristo Botev HS-2 till Apr.30
From Nov.1 or Dec.1 in Bulgaria will operate 7 txs with total power 590 kW.

Here are medium wave txs suspended two years ago from April 6, 2010:
Vidin 2 576 VDN 300 kW 0300-2100 Hristo Botev HS-2
Pleven 1 594 PLV 250 kW 0300-2100 Horizont HS-1
Stamboliyski 648 STB 030 kW 0000-2400 Radio Plovdiv+HS-2
Kresna 2 702 KRN 040 kW 0000-2400 Hristo Botev HS-2

Stolnik 2 828 SOF 050 kW 0200-2400 Hristo Botev HS-2
Shumen 1 828 SHM 300 kW 0300-2100 Hristo Botev HS-2
Kresna 1 963 KRN 040 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1
Varna 2 1143 VRN 040 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1
Stara Zagora1 1161 STZ 300 kW 0300-2100 Horizont HS-1
Pleven 2 1296 PLV 030 kW 0200-2400 Hristo Botev HS-2
Haskovo 1485 HAS 003 kW 0000-2400 Hristo Botev HS-2
Suvorovo 1485 SUV 005 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1
Dobritch 1584 DOB 010 kW 0000-2400 Horizont HS-1 (DX RE MIX NEWS #727, visit: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** BURMA [non]. MYANMAR, Democratic Voice of Burma heard on 11595, ex 7510, April 20 2330-0030 via Gavar, Armenia. Sign on with local music and Burmese talk. Many mentions of Myanmar, good reception (Brian Alexander, Pennsylvania, Cumbre DX, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

The online Aoki and Bierwirth lists also have a broadcast 1430-1530 on 11560 via Armenia. I checked this at 1512 May 1, heard the daily English news programme `Democracy Now` with discussion on May Day events, abrupt cut off at 1529. Fair reception with some fading (Mike Barraclough, May World DX Club Contact via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

`Democracy Now` is one of IRRS` favorite fill-shows when intended program feed is lost; is IRRS involved in this relay? (gh, ibid.)

** CANADA. New [to him] 1040, CJMS-QC is in well at 9:30 pm EDT with English and French country music // webstream. Seems to be off-freq at about 1039.93 - never saw this reported before. Can anyone else hearing it confirm the frequency? (Brett Saylor - State College PA, Perseus SDR, April 27, The NRC AM mailing list via DXLD)

CJMS 1040 is in St-Constant, Quebec, a little southwest of Montreal. I'm not too far from the transmitter site. I just checked out the signal and it is definitely off-frequency, 1039.9.

This doesn't surprise me though. It's a pretty sad state of affairs at this station. They have had consistent transmitter and other technical problems; in addition they have had severe financial problems as well. They recently had one of their towers on the site collapse on them. To my knowledge, it hasn't been repaired, but I haven't been past the site itself for some time. The towers are supposed to be lighted, but they haven't had the money, or technical support to replace burnt-out bulbs. There is no full-time engineer. Someone is called when needed, usually when some sort of crisis occurs.

There has been a lot of speculation that this station could easily fold up shop and, honestly, I doubt that anyone would miss them. So,

being off frequency doesn't really surprise me. It might surprise the station staff even to know that someone was interested enough to notice! (Sheldon Harvey, Radio H.F. - Canada`s specialist in radio communications, http://www.radiohf.ca ibid.)

Thanks to Jim and Sheldon for verifying CJMS was low - they were dominant on the frequency for a while last night, so the het was very noticeable. It's amazing how many off-frequency stations there are across the band any more (Brett Saylor, ibid.)

Interesting about the reach of CJMS 1040 into the U.S. after dark. Given that this station may be on the verge of collapse, there are some friends here in Montreal who might be interesting in trying to do something with this frequency should it become available. I would like to gather some information from DXers out there, particularly anywhere into the U.S., as to how well you are receiving this station. If any of you would like to help me out here, please forward your reports and comments about reception conditions of CJMS 1040, together with your location, directly to me off the group list here please. Send to my ve2shw at yahoo.com e-mail address. Thanks (Sheldon Harvey, ibid.)

** CANADA. What is a QSL from CFRX worth? ``Vivian Leigh`` sent us jpgs of a number of QSLs to someone in Kolkata, India, including CFRX 6070, which shows the time as 15:25-15:40 hours on July 24, 2011, with this note from proxy v/s Steven Canney: ``You are the first person from India that I have seen in 20 years who has heard CFRX. Excellent!``

Timezone not specified, but presumably UT, which is just before noon in Toronto in midsummer. Not going to propagate to India on 6 MHz, thousands of km of daytime intervening! This QSL and a number of others like it, set off a huge feud in South Asia, people taking sides pro- or con- the recipient.

I asked CFRX` proxy how he could verify such a report; were his details totally convincing? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Glenn. I don't have the letter from this fella handy, seeing it was a while ago and its probably one of those things that slide by me, and, from what I've seen lately, it would appear a number of listeners from that part of the world have been doing their monitoring via remote receivers then sending reports in like this, with all the right details.

My mistake for not catching it. I'm sure I was a little suspect at the time, seeing I've never had a report from that part of the world in all the years I've done this. I was alerted to this by other listeners in India who said they've seen other SWLs making these great claims of

radio reception knowing full well the person was doing their listening via these remote receivers.

I've seen hundreds and hundreds of reception reports over the years, most are well written and correct, and very deserving of a QSL card. Some have the right frequency, and that's about it, no details, etc. This remote listening is a new trend and is obviously going to get worse in time, at least by those who feel cheating at the game is the only way to enhance their listening image.

Recently a report from a listener in Italy came in who was 100% convinced he had CFRX ID'ed and was very blunt about this in his e-mailed report, which included an audio file of his reception. I couldn't find anything in his written report nor the audio file that even remotely resembled any programming that comes out of CFRB. He wasn't happy when I told him he wasn't getting a card.

This is the nature of doing this volunteer service for a station, you see some good reports, some bad reports, some cheaters, or just newbies who need guidance on how to do it correctly. When Harold Sellers started doing the QSLing for CFVP in Calgary last year, I mentioned to him that he will see a lot of very interesting letters and reports come through over time. It certainly gives you a different perspective when you are at the receiving end of reception reports.

73, (Steve Canney, VA3SC, CFRB/CFRX QSL Manager (An ODXA Sponsored Project since October 1991)

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for information about CFRB and CFRX (shortwave)
Ontario DX Association web site:
http://www.odxa.on.ca
Canada's largest shortwave organization, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, as per my editorial "Remote Receivers: Benefit to or Bane of the Hobby" published on several Yahoo Groups and Facebook group pages, these are all suspected to have been heard via remote receivers and reported as having been heard from Kolkatta, India. The recordings are also suspected to have been made via remote receivers and posted to You Tube with a picture of a cheap portable tuned to the frequency.
-- (Mark Coady, Editor, Your Reports, Listening In, Ontario DX Association, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM below for that and much further discussion (gh)

** CANADA. MOST EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS OF RADIO CANADA INTERNATIONAL, PLANNING 80% CUT, RECEIVE NOTICES. Posted: 01 May 2012

RCI Action Committee blog, 25 Apr 2012: "[E]ven when we say an 80% per

cent budget cut, it sounds sort of theoretical. When the letter is given to you that you no longer have a job, that your decades of service to Canadaís Voice to the World are redundant, well, thatís something else. Today that happened to most of us. About 15 permanent staff have been told they still have a job, 30 have been told they donít. Three contractual webmasters will remain, but about 10 to 20 contractual employees (researchers, interviewers, hosts) will lose their jobs. Another 10 or 20 people who fill in for staff will have little or no work. More importantly to us RCI has been almost made to disappear, no more radio programs, just a website, that is yet to be conceived, with little support. How much three employees in each of the five language services: English, French, Arabic, Mandarin and Spanish can do, even with the best of intentions, remains to be seen. ... Next week we are promised a blueprint of the new RCI. Today itís hard to believe in that future." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** CANADA. Letter to my MP about RCI closing --- The following was e-mailed to my member of Canada's parliament. -- Mark Coady

Dear Minister of Parliament for Peterborough Del Mastro:

As a proud Canadian and a shortwave listener, I am privy to the proud and distinguished history of Canada's voice to the world - Radio Canada International (RCI) which was established in 1945.

Unfortunately the budget cuts to the CBC have made CBC management target RCI and basically turn it into an internet-only presence which will effectively kill it as the countries that RCI currently broadcasts to are largely ill-served by internet and other countries who have relegated their international service to internet radio have seen their audience drop to near zero.

I fully understand the need to reign in government spending, especially at the CBC, but RCI is a special case. When faced with its last major funding crisis in 1991 under Brian Mulroney's Conservative government the CBC chose to close RCI. Brian Mulroney chose a different path by having the CBC operate RCI but fund it from a grant from the Department of External Affairs. This arrangement lasted two years into Jean Chretien's Liberal government until stable funding was able to be restored to the CBC to keep RCI operating.

Seeing that both Conservative and Liberal governments in the past have determined that it is a good thing for the country to have a strong international voice on shortwave radio, I trust that you will propose to the Prime Minister that a similar operating grant might be able to be secured to keep Radio Canada International operating (Mark Coady, Ont., May 1, via Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Might be a good idea for us non-Canadians to contact the relevant Canadian embassy for the public diplomacy angle. Washington embassy URL:
http://www.canadainternational.gc.ca/washington/contact-contactez.aspx?lang=eng&menu_id=5&view=d
(Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** CHAD. 6164.962, 21.4 2101, Rdif. Nat. Tchadienne very strong. Suddenly at 2103 the signal strength was substantially reduced and the signal had moved to exactly 6165! (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD) See also BOLIVIA for R. Logos right close by, &: (gh)

6164.96, RNT, 0427-0445, heard after a strong Radio Netherland 6165 signs off at 0427. African hi-life music. French talk. Fair. Weak QRM from Radio Japan 6165. April 27 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CHILE. ESTE FIN DE SEMANA SE CAMBIA LA HORA

El Servicio Hidrogr·fico y Oceanogr·fico de la Armada, SHOA, recordÛ a la ciudadania que el horario de verano se extender· hasta el ˙ltimo s·bado de abril, por lo que el cambio de hora oficial sÛlo se realizar· el 28 del citado mes, cuando el reloj deber retroceder 60 minutos.

La modificaciÛn se realiza a finales de abril como parte de la normativa decretada en febrero de 2012, por el Ministerio del Interior. Ese dÌa, los relojes pasar·n de las 24:00 a las 23:00 horas, iniciando el horario de invierno, pasando el horario en UTC -4 en el continente, y UTC -6 en Chile insular [Isla de Pascua] (RubÈn Gonz·lez Valderrama, April 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** CHINA. 6165.0, 20.4 2158, Voice of Shenzhou, struggling with Chad on exactly 6165 and another station with classical music, maybe Voice of Vietnam, the latter signed off at 2159. At 2159 R Nederland Bonaire signed on with a very strong signal (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

** CHINA. 15125, CRI, 0114-0136, April 26. Special live coverage of the opening ceremony of the Third World Buddhist Forum held in Hong Kong; translation in English of what was happening live in the coliseum; group of pop singers with the theme song of the forum ìTong Yuan Tong Xingî (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 11500, Firedrake, 4/25 1030, noted without discernable //s, and poor (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, S-77A, HQ-200, SP-600, Drake R-

8, Slinky, l.w., NASWA yg via DXLD)

Firedrake April 26, before 1300:
12230, poor at 1257
13920, poor at 1258
17170, very poor at 1259
No others on 11, 14, 15, 16 MHz.

After 1400:
15800, good at *1415
15600, good at 1420, not 15615/WEWN today; het on lo side; no 14s, 16s
13920, poor at 1424
13680, fair at 1424
12600, fair at 1425
12300, fair at 1425

Firedrake April 27, not thoro scans, but only found:
15600, fair at 1414
15555, fair at 1306
15485, poor at 1306 with het on hi side

Firedrake April 28, before 1300:
12230, poor at 1249
13920, poor at 1249, with fax(?) QRM; none in the 14s
13935, poor at 1249, and distorted like a spur; unusual for FD
15440, fair at 1234, het on hi side; far enough from weak Turkey 15450
15555, fair at 1249; no longer on 15440
15900, good at 1241
15970, good at 1234, weaker than 15900
16100, very good at 1243
16700, poor at 1243
16980, poor at 1243
17100, fair at 1243 with noise too
17170, very poor at 1244
17250, very poor at 1244; unusual more than one at a time 17+

After 1300:
15500, fair at 1317, het on lo side

After 1400:
15615, notable for NOT being heard here at 1418 vs WEWN, but could
have just gone off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4-28-12 Steve Handler Firedrake logs:
1350-1359: Nothing below or above those listed
13970 1356 Good signal
15490 1357 Good signal
15610 1357 Good signal

15900 1358 Good signal
15970 1358 Good signal
16100 1358 Excellent signal
16980 1359 Fair signal
17170 1359 Fair signal
17250 1359 Fair signal
17450 1359 Fair signal

1415-1426: Nothing above or below those listed
12230 1420 Good signal
15600 1417 Fair signal
17570 1416 Good signal
(Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

EAST JAMMERSTAN: 13970 Crash & Bang Chinese Opera Music Jammer; 1350, 29-Apr (strong, splashing +/- 20 kHz); // 13960 (weak) & 13920 (vweak)

15970, Crash & Bang Chinese Opera Music Jammer; 1217, 29-Apr; Moderate; //s: 17450 (moderate), 16700 (weak), 15445 (strong), 14800 (strong--new!), 13970 (strong), 13920 (strong), 13850 (weak) & 12600 (moderate) (Frodge-MI2)

17560, Crash & Band [sic, why not?] Chinese Opera Music Jammer; Up suddenly at 1402 covering weak audio. Only one found. 28-Apr (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake April 29, after 1300, not a complete bandscan:
15485, fair at 1307 with het on hi side vs V. of Tibet, Tajikistan
15500, fair at 1317, het on lo side; ex-15485
15555, fair to 1305* cut off

Before 1400:
13970, very good at 1348; none in the 12s
14800, very good at 1348
15490, fair at 1344, ex-15500
15610, fair at 1342, ACI to WEWN 15615
15970, poor at 1344
16100, good at 1345
16700, fair at 1345
16980, fair at 1345
17100, poor-fair at 1346
17170, JBA at 1346
17450, good at 1346

After 1400:
13850, fair at 1424; none in the 12s

14800, good at 1424
15600, poor at 1425 vs beeps still on 15603
17170, good at 1425; none in the 16s
17450, fair at 1426
17570, fair at 1427, CCI from V. of Tibet, Madagascar; none in the 18s
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

April 30, 2012: Firedrake was very active this morning during my 1220-1229 Check. Below are the results - Steve Handler
12230 1228 Good-excellent signal
12600 1228 Poor to JBA signal
13920 1227 Good signal
13970 1227 Good signal
14800 1226 Good-excellent signal
14950 1226 Good-excellent signal
15445 1225 Good signal
15970 1224 Fair signal
16100 1221 Good signal
16700 1221 Poor signal with het
17250 1222 Fair signal
17459 1222 Fair signal
Nothing else higher or lower

4-30-12 period from 1240 to 1250 had a high Firedrake activity level:
12230 1224 Excellent signal
12600 12244 [sic] JBA signal
13920 1245 Good signal
13970 1246 Good-excellent signal
14800 1246 Excellent signal
14950 1247 Good-excellent signal
15555 1248 Good signal
15970 1248 Fair signal
16100 1249 Good-excellent signal
16700 1249 Fair signal
16980 1249 Fair-poor signal
17250 1250 Fair-poor signal
17450 1250 Fair-poor signal

Firedrake April 30, after 1300:
15485, fair at 1305 with het on hi side
15555, fair at 1303 with het on lo side; during ramshorn/cymbals part

After 1330, a dozen:
17250, fair at 1330
17170, very good at 1330
17100, fair at 1330
16980, poor at 1331
16700, very good at 1331

16100, very good at 1330
15970, very good at 1332
15670, fair at 1333, mixing with Chinese, probably additional CNR1 jam
15570, good at 1333, het on lo side
15495, good at 1333, het on hi side
14950, very good at 1335
14800, very good at 1335; none in the 13s, 12s, 11s, 10s, 9s

Before 1400:
15490, good at 1358, het on lo side
15970, very good at 1357
15610, fair at 1357, het on hi side

21580, May 1 at 0507, hyper format in Chinese sounds like CNR1 jammer rather than RFA, not // 17855, and the OSOB except for something JBA on 21710, both of which are scheduled for RFA via Tinian
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

20 m., et al. Firedrake --- May 1, 1030 UT scan for Firedrakes

14003 - VG level, hard to zero beat frequency as transmitter wavering, humming, sounds like a problem. Really was a mess. went off at 1100.
12230 - VG
12300 - Good
13970 - Good 73 and Good Listening...! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, Hammarlund SP-600, Drake R-8, ABDX via DXLD) Reworded below:

14003, "Firedrake" jammer/music. 5/1 1030, crashing and banging, VG, encroaching into 20m Ham band. Slightly difficult to zero-beat signal as transmitter was wavering, with noticeable hum. Sounded like some sort of problem. Noted good // broadcasts, but without hum and wobble. They were: 12300, 12230, and 13970, all Good to VG. Went down at 1100, but i didnt do recheck to see if they came back on at 1120 (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, S-77A, HQ-200, SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky, l.w., NASWA yg via DXLD)

May 1, 1150-1159 GMT from Steve Handler: Nothing heard above or below those listed
13130 1156 Excellent signal
13970 1156 Good signal
14800 1156 Good-excellent signal
15900 1157 Fair signal
16100 1157 Excellent signal
17250 1158 Poor signal

May 1, 1220-1229 GMT from Steve Handler: Nothing heard above or below those listed
15445 1228 Good signal

15900 1228 Excellent signal
15940 1228 Fair-good signal
15970 1229 Fair signal
16100 1229 Excellent signal
17250 1229 Poor signal
(Steve Handler, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake May 1 before 1300:
13850, very poor at 1239, none in the 12s, 11s
15900, very good at 1228
15940, very good at 1228
15970, very good at 1228
16100, very good at 1234
16700, very poor at 1234
17250, very poor at 1237; none in the 18s, 14s

Before 1400:
15490, poor at 1346, het on hi side; no 13s, 14s, 12s
15940, fair at 1344
15970, fair at 1344, slightly stronger than 15940
16100, very good at 1341; none higher
15610, fair at 1242 with WEWN ACI which has this surrounded: 15615 crackly fundamental, and 15606 squishy spur
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12600, Firedrake Jamming, 5/2, 1030. VG, crashing booming and banging, with noted // on 13920. Did not hear the incursion into 20-meter ham band that was heard yesterday. 73 and best wishes for Good Listening!
(Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky & longwire, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

May 2, 2012 from Steve Handler Firedrake logs: Nothing above or below at either time group
11500 1155 JBA
13920 1152 Fair-good signal
13970 1152 Fair-good signal
15800 1153 Good signal
15900 1153 Poor signal
15970 1154 Fair signal
16100 1154 Poor signal

12600 1219 Good signal
13970 1220 Good signal
15900 1220 Fair signal
15970 1221 Good signal
16100 1221 Fair-poor signal
(Steve Handler, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake May 2, before 1300, a dozen:
17450, poor at 1246
17100, good at 1246
16980, poor at 1246
16700, good at 1246
16100, fair at 1246
15970, very good at 1246
15940, good at 1247
15900, very good at 1247
15555, good at 1247
15440 or 15435, gone at 1247, but noticed it far enough away from 15450 Turkey earlier in the semihour, without nailing the frequency
13970, good at 1251; none in the 14s
13680, poor at 1252
12600, very good at 1252; none in the 11s, 10s, 18s

Before 1400:
12600, very good at 1338 with flutter; none lower and no 13s, 14s
15610, good at 1345
15940, very good at 1340
15970, very good at 1340 with flutter; bad edit break at 1340:15
16980, JBA at 1343
17100, fair at 1343; none in the 18s
17170, very poor at 1343

[and non]. 15600, April 28 at 1238, weak signal in Asian language, music, bothered by continuous beeps at 4 per second from MCW (not just a CW carrier off and on) on approx. 15603; evitable by side-tuning downward. Is it jamming? Aoki and HFCC show the 15600 is CRI in Malaysian, 1230-1327, 100 kW, 175 degrees from Kunming-Anning. Continued past 1300 with music, sounds like Indonesian announcement.

But Aoki may have the explanation: listed on 15602 is V. of Tibet via Tajikistan, altho at 1402-1430, a notorious jumparounder both in frequency and times. The beeping was still going long after this, at 1418; and at 1456 when 15600 again had a JBA signal when nothing is scheduled (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. Domenica 22 aprile 2012 - 1856 - 5066.34 kHz, RADIO CANDIP - Bunia (Rep. Dem. del Congo), Francese, musica afropop, annuncio con "frÈquence... " OM e s/off alle 1902. Segnale sufficiente-insufficiente (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, playdx yg via DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. 5954.22, Radio Rep˙blica, 0030 to 0038 political talk under effective jamming 23 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. UNIDENTIFIED. 6045.37v, checking from 0235 to 0348, May 1. Heard mostly with chatting in what seemed to be Spanish; frequency drifting up and down. Poor audio and/or reduced carrier and FM? Hard to keep it tuned in due to drifting and poor audio; at one point announcer stopped talking and had CW (ID?); poor to very poor. It did not seem like Radio Universidad to me, but hard to believe Uruguay. MP3 audio
http://www.box.com/s/aaebf91fd4d54ea133b2
but is very poor; CW at 0:26. Any help with this appreciated! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 0.26 clearly ID: "Radio Exterior de EspaÒa". Uruguay is not active on 6045 for years. 73 de CX2ABP (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, ibid.)

Sounds to me like female voice IDs as Radio Exterior de EspaÒa. After that CW, something like "espaÒoles... la mar" (Jari Savolainen, Finland, ibid.)

- - - response back to Jari: Jari, Thank you so much for your feedback! I occasionally check 6045 looking for the return of Mexico and this is the first time I have heard anything there. A spur?? Ron

- - - email from Jari Savolainen: ``Yep Ron, most probably a spur or mixing product at the tx site. If it's REE and if Cariari uses 5995 and 6020 at the time, this might be the source. I guess the CW was signature for REE program "EspaÒoles en la mar". Jari``

I appreciate Jari`s help with this UNID (Ron Howard, Monterey, Calif., ibid.)

Thanks to Dan Sheedy's (Calif.) feedback:
http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/espanoles-en-la-mar/
May 1 audio with CW intro (Ron Howard, ibid.)

** CUBA. Cuba 530 KC R. Enciclopedia --- Here in central Florida at daytime R. Enciclopedia CMBQ? in/near Havana, Cuba is a regular with an S9 +5 db signal. But recently seemingly there is another co-channel station also broadcasting in Spanish?

I figured it could be an audio mixing issue but there is phase shift type fading on the signal like you would see with two stations battling it out on the same frequency. Is anyone else here in Florida hearing this change?

BTW the dominant audio plays mostly a selection of easy listening and classical music. Actually pretty entertaining. 73 & GUD DX, (Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O, Lakeland, FL, USA SWL Since 1965, Rig- Icom IC-751A

Antenna 127 foot long Inverted L Up At 50 Ft, 1343 UT April 30, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

You could be hearing Radio VisiÛn Cristiana in the Turks and Caicos. They used to dominate 530 here in NC until R. Enciclopedia came on frequency and they can still be heard underneath. Interestingly enough, R. Enciclopledia didn't exist on 530 until Fidel "turned" his duties over to Ra˙l. I have also logged an ID on 530 as Radio Musical Nacional (Rick W4DST, mwdx yg via DXLD)

Hi Rick, thanks for the info. I thought that Radio Vision Cristiana 530 kc in the Turks and Caicos Is. was off of the air so discounted it. 73 & GUD DX, (Thomas F. Giella, NZ4O, Lakeland, FL, USA, IBID.)

The co-channel interference with 530 R.Enciclopedia is likely R. Rebelde. Compare with R.Rebelde parallel frequencies 550, 560, 600, 670, 710, etc. 530 Radio Vision Cristiana is apparently still on the air but with significantly reduced power from a marginal antenna, as Turks & Caicos is still part of the multiple station ID on the hour heard on 1310 WRVP and 1330 WWRV here, but unlikely a source of interference on 530 kHz. Both R. Enciclopedia and R. Rebelde are received regularly on 530 here in New Hampshire (Bruce Conti, ibid.)

Yes, but don`t rely on a multi-station IDer to be in any hurry to remove a former distant relayer if it`s off (gh, DXLD)

530: Very old news. Rebelde has had two transmitters on each side of the island for well over a year, all of which has been reported here by me for those who read (Terry Krueger, May 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Terry, was that post directed at me? I just joined this eGroup so have not seen your previous posts. Recently I decided to start my MF log over from scratch, so that means that I have been listening to every MF station that I come across as though I've never heard them before. It's actually allot of fun. 73, (Thomas NZ4O Giella, ibid.)

** CUBA. 1210, Radio Rebelde, unknown site. 1058-1110 April 30, 2012. Rebelde sounders, back to male newscast, sounders 1102 and ID. Fair-poor amongst WNMA, Miami Springs with Spanish sports roundup, and 'new' Radio Caribe (see log). Last heard here in November, 2010, LOBS Chirivico, Santiago de Cuba per P. Zecchino follow-up on my log back then. [LOBS? Let`s see, line of best signal? See DXLD 7-135 for discussion of possible meanings, used only by Terry]

1210, Radio Caribe, La Fe, Isla de la Juventud. 1101 ID over steel pans, four chimes and time check by man, kiddie talking/singing, another ID. Parallel 1220, so clearly a second Caribe transmitter.

(Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list): NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room random wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. 9850, April 26 at 1252, RHC is somewhat distorted and splattering up to 20 kHz either side, and then I can hear it as much as 100 kHz higher up to 9950, as they are already getting excited about Primero de Mayo.

Today`s anomalies from RHC: 6050, April 27 at 0503 is still in Spanish, not English, while all other Spanish frequencies have closed, including 5040 and 9810 which sometimes run over (Vatican Scandinavian clear on 9810). RHC English only on 6010, 6060, 6125. 6050 programming also seemingly off-kilter, interrupted for IS and IDs at odd times 0511, 0516, between which at 0512 there was an `Estampas de Cuba` feature on siete maravillas. 0535 last check, 6050 still in Spanish.

13780, April 29 at 1350* RHC cuts off as soon as `En Contacto` is finished and anticipatory ``DÌa del Trabajo`` song in break before `En CÌa. del Doctor` starts on all the other frequencies, 17730, 17580, 15340, 15230, 11860, 11760, 11750, 9540, not audible on 11690.

13780 is supposed to run until 1500 if you believe RHC`s online schedule and/or the deceptive one Arnie Coro has been sending out, replete with other departures from reality for anyone axually turning on a radio. It`s Sunday, another day when there will be no `AlÛ, Presidente`, so probably why 13780 turned off early. None of those listed frequencies from 1400 on the air at 1514 check.

This Sunday, RHC did manage to get the Esperanto service on the air, 11760 at 1513 check with a rock song in Esperanto, from the limited canon of such and I think I`ve heard it before.

It seems the DentroCuban Jamming Command has decided it`s not worth the trouble to turn off the noise during the weekly silent period of R. MartÌ, 0300-0900 UT Mondays: April 30 at 0527, still wall-of-noise on 6030, 7405. Goodbye, DX opportunities on 6030. Tnx a lot, Arnie!

RHC is all excited about the Primero de Mayo parades tomorrow; 17580, April 30 at 1347 a report from Santiago about the desfile there: the correspondent knows exactly how many workers will be participating already! The glory of regimentation. No doubt other cities will parade, but the big `un `ll be in Habana, and may well cause disruptions in the RHC SW schedule in order to broadcast it live. ``Patria o Suerte, °Pensaremos!`` May 1 is also RHC`s anniversary.

17580 has usual CCI and SAH by now, and RHC turns it off by 1400, not 1500 as on Arnie`s disinformation schedule. YFR Bengali via Wertachtal

is at 13-15 on 17580, at 1401 the YFR theme heard poorly, so RHC really needs to turn 17580 off at 1300. Another frequency failure by this outlaw station which refuses to participate in HFCC and avoid such collisions.

Arnie Coro or the correspondence dept at RHC have been e-mailing out a transmission schedule which is full of errors, yet people keep forwarding it around as if it were gospel. I set them straight:

Re: Horarios y frecuencias de Radio Haba Cuba Los cambios en AZUL

As I tried to make clear when this first came out a few weeks ago, and from subsequent actual monitoring, there are several things WRONG in this, even if it came directly from RHC, including:

English on 5040 has shifted to 23-24: note that it also shows French and Creole during the 00-01 hour!

The very first item in the schedule is wrong: 17580 usually goes off the air at 1400, sometimes 1300, not on until 1500.

Mesa Redonda has been heard opening 15140 as early as 2200. Also it is irregular, usually on weekdays only.

AlÛ, Presidente is mostly imaginary, but when Ch·vez is back in Venezuela, is well enough, and feels like doing his TV program, part of it MAY appear on these RHC frequencies, but never earlier than 1530, on Sundays only, and sometimes as late as 1930. And, only on SUNDAYS. It has not shown up at all since this schedule went into effect, to confirm whether those five frequencies are accurate.

Esperanto is SUNDAY only, and has been appearing at variable times: one week it showed up at 2030 on 11760. Another week it was only unmodulated carrier at 1500-1530 on 11760. It also appeared one Sunday at 0500-0530 on all four English frequencies.

There are numerous other unpredictable variations, such as 5040 and/or 9810 staying on past 0500 in Spanish. As I just reported last night, 6050 stayed on past 0530 in Spanish, instead of English. Etc., etc.

It also did not go into effect in marzo as dated, but on primero de abril. Always at least a week later than the official start of each season.

Is no one paying attention to what REALLY goes on the air, as I take pains to report, or does no one else care?

Tnx for the reformatting, anyway, Anton, altho it doesn`t look very

reformatted in the version quoted back below for some strange reason.
73, (Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Whoopee, it`s MayDay in Cuba, time for celebrating the Workers`
Paradise even more than usual. Checking RHC 13780 at 1405 May 1,
``news`` about the big desfile in Habana speaks of it in the past
tense, so has it really already happened, or was this pre-written on
the assumption there would not be an assassination or some other
disaster in the meantime?

After noting once again that contrary to schedule, 17580 was already
off at 1402 while 17730 continued, I changed to better 13780 to copy
for the record the frequency announcement, here using the */* format
for sign on/offs as given, including jumbled ordering, sic:
17730 y 17580 -15*
15230 -15*, *13-15* 15340
13-15 13780
11760, 11860, 11690 -15*, *13- 11750 -15*
9540 -15*, -13* 9550 y 9850
-13* 6150; plus ``audio real``, really Windows Media, when it work
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 9760, Cyprus Broadcasting Corp, *2215-2244:30*, sign on
with Greek music and Greek opening announcements. Greek talk. Sign off
with Greek music. Strong. Very Good signal. Weaker on // 5925, 7220.
Fri, Sat, Sun only, but very irregular. April 27 (Brian Alexander, PA,
DX Listening Digest)

** DJIBOUTI. 4780, Radio Djibouti, *0259-0320, sign on with National
Anthem, followed by Arabic talk. Local chants at 0303. Arabic talk at
0313. Poor in thunderstorm static. April 26 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX
Listening Digest)

** EAST TURKISTAN. CHINA, 4980, PBS Xinjang [sic], Urumqi, from
*2331:15Z SIGN/ON. 1 KC Tuning tone till 2315 followed by 16 minutes
of carrier. IS, ID and what sounds like a program schedule. Into
programming. Heard on Perseus receiver in the Faroe Islands. (via
Remote Perseus) Audio, here:
https://www.box.com/s/52ef057a112e7f976def
(Chuck Rippel, VA, April 27, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

PBS Xinjiang Urumqi audio --- I've been giving the 3 PBS Xinjiang 60M
outlets around just a bit as reception is pure Grayline and I'm still
in daylight here. Was a little surprised to hear all 3, from my QTH
v/s using a remote receiver last night. 4850.0, 4980.0 and 5060.0 all
signed on this evening at *2331Z. Set Perseus bandwidth wide enough to
record all frequencies then played it back listening to each
individual sign on. Made an .mp3 as below.

Here are 2 cuts of PBS Xinjiang Urumqui [sic] signing on at 2331Z. The first cut is 5060.0 kHz, the second, following a 4 second gap is 4850.0 also at *2331Z sign on. Interesting both are signing on with slightly different versions of "The East is Red." Also heard 4980.0 outlet at *2331, same version of "East is Red" as 5060.0 but programming following SI/O did not seem //. Local time here was 7:30 PM EST [sic, means EDT] and official sunset is at 7:52 PM EST (2352Z). The short audio clip is here:
http://www.box.com/s/e3e601b6f2fad5529db8
(Chuck Rippel, Chesapeake, VA, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** EGYPT. The worst station in SW --- IMHO, of course...
http://youtu.be/1VRmipTq9NE
73 de CX2ABP (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. ?? RN Guinea Ecuatorial (Aoki), Radio Bata (EiBi) ?? 5005 Bata ?? April 30, 2012. Monday. 1827-1837. OM talking, followed by afro music at 1835. Talk is unreadable but sounds Spanish and the time is right, so maybe ?? I've never heard this one before in Joburg. Very poor. 50 kW non-directional (Aoki). Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, Radio Africa (presumed), 1412, April 23. Daily the quality of the audio changes from good to terrible. Today mixing with IRRS (whose audio is always good!); very garbled audio; unusable (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, April 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, April 26 at 1957, non-Alamo gospel huxter on R. Africa citing Genesis 37, 36. Earlier check at 1832 found a JBA signal which could have been Philippines.

[and non]. 15190, April 27 at 2014, preacher with fair signal on R. Africa; while VOA Botswana 15580 was very good. April 28 at 0546, 15190 is fair with preacher; I think it just came on as nothing there a few minutes earlier. Anyone ever hear a sign-on, or do they just jump-start a program? At this hour nothing from Nigeria on 15120, off? VOA Botswana 15580 had been JBA at 0528, improving to very poor at 0544 (Glenn Hauser, OK DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, Radio Africa (presumed); 1931...2002+, 28-Apr; Tuned in at 1931 to S8 OC; religious music up suddenly at 1931:50 into English huxtress on program Reading the Bible? SIO=3+53 with muted audio & some distortion. Tuned back at 1950 to English munchkin-voiced huxtress on program Amazing Facts & Amazing Discoveries? Sounded like a 3ABN ID plus numerous web sites at 2000; at 2001:48 abruptly into Salvation Army English program and distortion disappeared. QRM from WYFR splash

on 15195 at @2000 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA. 5945, V. of Broad Masses of Eritrea, Program 2. NF. Noted on 16/4 at their s/on 0256 with IS and IDs in different languages (one was Arabic) // 7110, 7175, 7205 (here with different program from 0300 (Eritrea 1), 9720 (also new frequency). At the evening at 1600 heard on 5945 // 7180 but with DRM jammer (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

7200, Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea - program 1, *0257-0310, sign on with IS. Vernacular talk at 0301. Horn of Africa music. Poor to fair but mixing with Sudan. April 26 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

9705.03, Voice of the Broad Masses of Eritrea, 0259-0315, tune-in to IS. Vernacular talk. Horn of Africa music. Weak under Radio Ethiopia. // 7175. This frequency not a good choice for Eritrea with Ethiopia always dominating this frequency. April 27 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. Voice of the Tigray Revolution, 5950, Addis Ababa-Gedja. May 1, 2012. Tuesday. 1810-1827. Tigrinya, with Horn of Africa music. Very poor, head to head with co-channel BBC WS from Al-Seela. Jo'burg sunset 1538.

Oman. BBC WS relay, 5950 Al Seela. May 1, 2012. Tuesday. 1810-1827. Can just make out unreadable English talk. Very poor, head to head with co-channel Voice of the Tigray Revolution from Addis. Jo'burg sunset 1538 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. Ethiopia ?? Radio Ethiopia / Radio Amhra ?? 6030 Addis Ababa-Gedja ?? May 2, 2012. Wednesday. 1805-1812. Presumably Oromo. Talk, but quite unreadable. Very poor, at noise level. Jo'burg sunset 1537.

?? Amhara State Radio ?? 6090, Addis Ababa-Gedja ?? May 2, 2012. Wednesday. 1854-1904. Amharic, with Horn of Africa music. No ID heard. YL talking from 1900, probably news. Mostly unreadable, lots of atmospheric QRN, unidentified QRM and a low frequency het. Jo'burg sunset 1537 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 7235, V. of Peace & Democracy, Gedja. Again here, left 7200. On 13/4 at 0407 heard and also on // 9560 and 9705 (here with another stations) (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. BELGIUM (non), New TDP station - Badr Radio/Badr Broadcasting Network in Amharic: 1830-1900 on 15165 SAM 250 kW / 188 deg Fri-Sun to EaAf, effective April 20 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE. 6300 USB, Radio Fox, 0000-0019*, rock music. ID at 0014. Very weak in noisy conditions. April 28 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** EUROPE. PIRATE. 6300.1, Flying Dutchman, 0000-0030* pop music. ID announcements. Very weak, but fair on peaks. April 29 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** FINLAND, Scandinavian Weekend Radio upcoming broadcast dates are May 4th-5th, June 1st-2nd and Midnight Sun Radio Broadcast June 22nd-23rd. Frequency schedule is 2100-2200 6170 11720, 2200-0500 6170 11690, 0500-0700 5980 11690, 0700-0800 5980 11720, 0800-1300 6170 11720, 1300-1400 6170 11690, 1400-1800 5980 11720, 1800-2100 6170 11690. All broadcasts also on 1602. Address P.O. Box 99, FI-34801 Virrat, Finland. 2 US$, 2 Euros or 2 IRC's needed for verification. For an email QSL fill in the form at www.swradio.net/reports.htm (Website via Mike Barraclough, May World DX Club Contact via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD) Late info: the 11 MHz channels were out of use this May (gh, DXLD)

** FRANCE. FRANCE24 --- The Presidential election debate was the highlight of Elysee2012. But it also highlighted the weaknesses of French international broadcasting. Here in Ireland, we have a referendum on the latest EU-related treaty to address the debt and deficit crises. What FranÁois Hollande is proposing will have a direct impact on our May 31 vote. So I have received several complaints about the limited live coverage of the TV debate. Some say France24 did not provide full coverage, and mixed analysis with translation. Many gave up on watching it. I ran a [rather poor] running summary on Twitter for those without French ñ and got some positive feedback, again because of poor Fr24 coverage.

I was originally following live BFMTV coverage in French. That was cut for commercial and rights reasons. So I had to make do with France-Info MW radio coverage from Lille on 1377 kHz. I suspect very few Irish people are aware of that.

You would think that, with all the linking technology, the prevalence of English, and the number of communications platforms now available to us, we could get better than this. Even CCTV in China is better organized [but then, their election debates are ....]. (Dr Derek Lynch, Ireland, May 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GABON. 9580, Africa #1; 2118-2131+, 23-Apr; M in French with English soul tunes; VYL at 2126 with Radio Africaine ID. S-meter at S-9 but audio buried. Next day, 2127, 24-Apr; English soul tunes again; M in French with ANU ID at 2129. SIO=432+ with downfreq hiss. Next day, 2143-2150+, 25-Apr; M in French with all EZL English pop tunes. SIO=4+53 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. 3995, Kall Radio, Pop hits from the 60s on 14/4 at 0240. At 0424 a DX program in German was noted with some tips. The DX program was of HCJB and compiled by German DXers (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** GERMANY. Dear Listeners, HH Lokalradio are on the air tomorrow the 1st of May 2012:

Station Name	UT Slots	Channel	station email
HH Lokalradio	0900 to 1400	7265 kHz	m.kittner @ freenet.de

Good Listening 73s (Tom Taylor, April 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hamburger Lokalradio on 7265 kHz tomorrow --- Hamburger Lokalradio will be aktive tomorrow (1 May 2012) on 7265 kHz from 0700 till 1400 UT with a program in German. This according to the schedule published there (for local time in Germany MESZ):

http://pm2.mvbalticradio.de/calendarix/calendar.php?op=cal&month=5&year=2012&catview=0

The 1 kW SW transmitter belongs to MV Baltic Radio http://www.mvbalticradio.de and is located in Goehren (close to the city of Schwerin). Hamburger Lokalradio confirms reception report for 7265 kHz by a nice special QSL card. Address:
Hamburger Lokalradio
Kulturzentrum LOLA
21031 Hamburg
Germany
E-Mail: redaktion @ hamburger-lokalradio.de
73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, April 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY [non]. RWANDA Frequency changes of Deutsche Welle, English:
0500-0530 NF 5925 KIG 250 kW / 000 deg to CEAf, ex 6075
0600-0630 NF 15275 KIG 250 kW / 280 def to WeAf, ex 9470
(DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD) was it ever really on 6075, vs VATICAN? (gh)

** GERMANY [and non]. Some Media&Broadcast changes:

Radio Dardasha 7, new schedule:
0330-0345 on 9460 WER 125 kW / 105 deg Daily WeAs Persian from May 1
1600-1615 on 15420 WER 250 kW / 105 deg Daily WeAs Persian from May 1
0300-0330 on 7310 WER 250 kW / 120 deg Daily N/ME Arabic as scheduled
1700-1730 on 13670 WER 125 kW / 120 deg Daily N/ME Arabic as scheduled
0430-0445 on 9460 WER 125 kW / 120 deg Daily N/ME Arabic from May 1
2000-2015 on 5930 WER 250 kW / 120 deg Daily N/ME Arabic from May 1
0600-0615 on 11655 WER 125 kW / 180 deg Daily CEAf Arabic from May 1
2030-2045 on 9515 WER 250 kW / 180 deg Daily CEAf Arabic from May 1
0500-0530 on 11810 NAU 125 kW / 210 deg Daily WeAf Arabic till Apr. 30
1900-1930 on 13740 WER 125 kW / 180 deg Daily WeAf Arabic till Apr. 30

Bible Voice Broadcasting Network (BVBN):
1830-1930 on 17515 ISS 100 kW / 131 deg Friday EaAf English, new
1700-1730 on 13810 WER 100 kW / 120 deg Tue/Thu N/ME Arabic, ex 17-18
0030-0100 on 9490 WER 250 kW / 090 deg Mon-Thu SoAs Hindi, cancelled
0030-0100 on 9490 WER 250 kW / 090 deg Fri-Sun SoAs English cancelled
1500-1530 on 15275 ISS 100 kW / 090 deg Sunday SoAs English, new
1500-1515 NF 13740 WER 250 kW / 090 deg Sunday SEAs English, ex 21460

Voice of Wilderness from April 15, new via MBR:
1300-1330 on 15180 TRM 250 kW / 045 deg Mon-Sat to EaAs Korean
1300-1400 on 15180 TRM 250 kW / 045 deg Sunday to EaAs Korean

Transportradio in Dutch/English, additional transmissions:
1000-1100 on 6095 WER 100 kW / non-dir Mon-Fri to WeEu till May 11
0800-1000 on 6095 WER 100 kW / non-dir Mon-Fri to WeEu from May 12

Mighty KBC Radio in English/Dutch, additional transmission:
1600-1700 on 6095 WER 250 kW / non-dir Sat/Sun to WeEu from May 12

WYFR (Family Radio):
1400-1500 NF 13735 TRM 250 kW / 335 deg to CeAs in Uzbek, ex 13730 WER
2200-2400 NF 11830 GUF 500 kW / 170 deg to SoAm in Portuguese, ex 7360

Voice of Oromiyan Liberation Front in Oromo:
1600-1630 on 15170 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg Sunday to EaAf, ex WER 500 kW

OGM Radio Horiyo Ogadeniya from April 3, new via MBR:
1600-1630 on 15170 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg Tue/Sat to EaAf Somali

Pan American Broadcasting (PAB), new from April 25 till June 6
1930-2030 on 9515 NAU 250 kW / 150 deg Wed   to NoAf English

Radio Biafra London from April 21, new via MBR:
2000-2100 on 11870 WER 125 kW / 180 deg Thu/Sat to WCAf English/Igbo
(DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1

May 2012, via DXLD)

** GHANA [non]. AUSTRIA: 11955, Adventist World Radio; 2103-2108+, 21-Apr; Tune in to peppy Afro tune; AWR Ghana spot at 2106+ into English program Life Experience. SIO=3+43 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. ERA 981 Megara back on the air --- I was listening to a web stream of ERA Sport from Greece today, and several announcements were made during the broadcast, that ERT board of directors have decided to return the 981 khz transmitter at Megara back on the air starting today, April 27, 2012. The decision was made because of many complaints by listeners who could not receive the station in remote areas on the FM frequencies after the 981 kHz was turned off in a cost saving move in March 2012 (Christos Rigas, Chicago, USA, April 27, mwmasts yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

Right now (April 29, 1656 UT) ERA Sports from Greece can be heard here in Romania with a S9 + 10 signal on 981 kHz. Wasn't this transmitter supposed to be closed by now? (Tudor Vedeanu (Gura Humorului, Romania), mwdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

Two Greek MW stations are back!

1179, ERA Macedonia, 102FM/ERT3 is back. On 28/4 I heard them with only 1 kHz signal with S30 at 1025 then signed off [what do you mean by ``only 1 kHz signal``??? -gh]

Again starting yesterday 30 with same signal // 102 FM with ID at 2100 with news. Today with low modulation being in // 102.

981, ERA Sport has been noticed yesterday on evening possibly with lower power (just S4) and being in //, 792 Malgara (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, May 1, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. 13362.0 kHz USB AFN via Guam, Coming in quite well now at 2130 UT (April 28) here in Germany with lively English studio discussion about politics in the US of A. ID as "AFN". Measured S8, and it¥s very good readable (after notching out two interfering tones). No trace of Radio Continental/ARG on nearby SSB channel. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** GUYANA. 3290, Voice of Guyana, 0020 pop music good signal 25 April; 0830 on 28 April as gray line has earlier fade out of Guyana (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

At latitude less than 7 degrees north, the SR/SS times at Georgetown vary no more than 20 minutes from solstice to solstice (gh, DXLD)

3290, Voice of Guyana (presumed); 0428, 28-Apr; English BBC sports program. SIO=4+33- in USB needed to minimize roar QRM centering about 3287. // 7310 via South Africa (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAWAII. What has happened to the propagation minute on WWVH? Had been scheduled at 45-46 past each hour, but May 1 at 1245 absent from 10000 following WWVH ID just before the minute, much stronger than WWV; ditto at 1345 on 15000 when there was on WWV at all. I was wondering if the new robofem was also on the `H staff. I hope some creative accounting didn`t decide WWVH couldn`t afford her services.

[and non]. 15000 and better 10000, May 2 at 1345, WWVH propagation minute is back after missing at least two consecutive hours yesterday, and it`s by a humale, not a robofem. Does `she` ever appear on WWVH? At 1518 on WWV 10000, `she` was funxioning as usual (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HONDURAS. 3250, Radio Luz y Vida, San Luis, religious program in espaÒol 0000 to 0025 on 23 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. All India Radio, 4820, Kolkata. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1800-1811. Heard tabla playing very weak here after Tibet signed off at 1800*. According to Aoki, AIR should have gone off air at 1745 (EiBi says 1744) but no doubt in my mind, I can easily pick out the rhythm. Sounds like Allah Rakha or Zakir Hussain playing a solo. Very poor. Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. AIR Lucknow noted on 4890 instead of 4880 from tune in around 1415 today 28 Apr 12. Must be the "punching error". This 50 kW tx is scheduled on this frequency at 0025-0430(Sun 0415), 1215-1741. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

AIR Lucknow continues today 29 Apr 12 on 4890 for morning transmission from around 0015. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India ibid.)

4890.00, 1720-1740* 28.04, AIR Lucknow, English/Hindi. Indian music, 1730 English news heard // stronger 4920 and 5010, 1735 Hindi. 25222, probably punching error instead of 4880 (Anker Petersen, on my AOR

AR7030PLUS with 28 metres longwire in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 5010.012, AIR Thiruvanathapuram, noted at 0038 with news in English by female. At 0040, "and that is the end of this news bulletin." Into local language and music. Extra quiet magnetic field made for better copy than usual here. 5/1 (Art Delibert, Maryland, WinRadio Excalibur Pro, Collins 51J-4, Pennant antenna with DX Engineering amp, HCDX via DXLD)

** INDIA. 15410, terrible mess on this so called "synchronous" network from AIR English service.
1000-1100 English 13695 B (ex13710), 15410 B(ex15235), 15410(P).

Bangalore is on even 15410 kHz, but Goa Panaji transmission is about 50 Hertz away; heavy BUZZ on 15409.954 kHz around 1015 UT April 26. \\ 13695 kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 26, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. Request from All India Radio --- To identify whether listeners are getting signal properly or not, All India Radio has requested listeners in Greece, France, Germany, & Sweden to monitor following frequencies: 1745-2230 UT on 7550 AM, 11670 AM, 9950 DRM (Program GOS IV, Hindi, GOS V). Please email your observations to : spectrum-manager @ air.org.in else can post in this group. Your efforts are highly appreciated! (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, April 30, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 9950, 1800 1/5, All India Radio, GOS IV Khampur, DRM. English service with news, songs, reports, but audio was good around 1800, with a lot of gaps at 1815-1830, good again at 1830. DRM is not a good idea for SW long distance broadcasting, fading can easily kill audio (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. Frequency change of All India Radio in Dari/Pashto, noted on Apr. 30
1315-1530 NF 11670 ALG 250 kW / 282 deg to WeAs, ex listed 11870 // 9910 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 3325, RRI Palangkaraya, 1213, April 26. In progress with the Jakarta news relay; // 4869.96 RRI Wamena (poor-fair), 3995 RRI Kendari (best reception since their reactivation) and 9680 RRI Jakarta (poor with CNR1 QRM); 1224 ends with the usual patriotic national song; 1226 no longer //; local ID and frequencies. MP3 audio http://www.box.com/s/96f2c2ed5f5399500bfc
What is the name of the song that is always played at the end of the

Jakarta National news relay? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, The song is "Bagimu Negeri" (For You Our Country). The words are:

Padamu negeri kami berjanji
Padamu negeri kami berbakti
Padamu negeri kami mengabdi
Bagimu negeri jiwa raga kami

Roughly translated:

To you, our country, we make our pledge
To you, our country, we do our duty
To you, our country, we devote our service
For you, our country, our bodies and our souls

For the last couple of years it has been replaced during the month of August by a different patriotic song "Dirgahayu Indonesiaku" in honour of Indonesia's Independence Day. Let's see what will happen this time. Best regards (Alan Davies, Indonsia, ibid.)

** INDONESIA. RRI Fak Fak on 4790 kHz received by good strength at 1045 UT, audio is poor. Fak Fak s/off suddenly at 1131 UT. It was the [first] receive since Nov. 19, last year (S. Hasegawa, Japan, April 27, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4789.98, RRI Fak Fak. Thanks to Sei-ichi Hasegawaís tip in dxldyg on April 27. Heard 1200 to 1401, April 29; start of the Jakarta National News relay, ending with their national song ìBagimu Negeriî (For You Our Country); thanks again to Alan Davies for IDing that song; in Bahasa Indonesia; // 3325 - RRI Palangkaraya, 4869.96 - RRI Wamena and 9680 - RRI Jakarta; unable to hear 3995 - RRI Kendari. No longer // after 1221; YL DJ playing pop songs; a few songs in English; clear ID: ìRadio Republik Indonesia Fak Fakî; poor with strong CODAR QRM. The downside to listening next to the ocean is that these ocean related CODAR signals are stronger. MP3 audio at
http://www.box.com/s/af7350de142727006378
with start of the national song ìBagimu Negeriî, song with rooster crowing and ID at 1:01. Audio seemed muffled (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 9526-, April 26 at 1247, VOI is S9+20+ but just barely modulated with vocal music during presumed Japanese hour. At 1325 it`s still JBM, but presumably English: the flutter fading is louder (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526, Voice of Indonesia (presumed); 1420-1431+, 28-Apr; M&W in English with Asian news; 1425 "You are listening to..." into instrumental music and seemed to continue in non-English. SIO=232 with whirr QRM -- SSB no help (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

English 1300-1400 bumped a semi-hour late? Could happen. But Atsunori Ishida, http://rri.jpn.org/ shows for April 28, English from 1300, Indonesian from 1401 (gh, DXLD)

9526-, May 1 at 1352, VOI is JBM with music: another Tuesday joint produxion with RRI Banjarmasin, if any, down the drain (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re EGYPT: La peor estaciÛn de la Onda Corta --- La peor de todas - a mi modo de ver - es La Voz de Indonesia en espaÒol. La escuchÈ una sola vez (tengo grabaciÛn). Para mÌ ha sido un servicio totalmente improductivo. Seg˙n el WRTH'12 emite de 1800 a 1900 UT en 9525 kHz pero no para LAm. Desconozco si llega a EspaÒa. De todas maneras, no le quito el mÈrito de emisora DX, sin dudas su mayor virtud! RGM (RubÈn Guillermo Margenet, Argentina, April 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Regarding the Edwin Southwell tip of Voice of Indonesia in Spanish on 9526 kHz March 3rd, Saturdays at 1730 is aired a tourism programme including street sound recordings, perhaps it has some relation with what Edwin heard.

For music fans, Thursdays is aired around 1737 "El Mundo Musical", playing a few records of traditional or modern Indonesian music and some information related.

The Voice of Indonesia is certainly a "rarity" in the world of Spanish SW transmissions. First, strange that the RRI staff considers the Spanish audience so important to dedicate one hour (Indonesia is one of the very few Asian countries broadcasting in Spanish); and second, the Spanish service announcers are Indonesians, this means that due to his strong native accent and some faults in spelling sometimes is a little difficult to understand the transmission (Voice of Korea would be a similar case); the Spanish version of VOI website is poorly translated too (Rafael MartÌnez, Listening Post, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. ISS Frequencies | ISS Fan Club

http://www.issfanclub.com/frequencies

Perhaps a little off-topic, but this page has info on listening to the International Space Station and similar extraterrestrial DX-ing.

Other useful info here:

http://www.heavens-above.com/amateursats.aspx?
lat=0&lng=0&loc=Unspecified&alt=0&tz=CET
(Mark Palmer, April 27, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. End of an era --- On April 30th at 0300 European time (0100 UT) all the analogue channels on Astra 1 at 19E are closing down, although there may be a few test cards for a few days. I counted 29 analogue channels today.

Some of these have been unchanged on the same transponders ever since Astra 1A started back in 1989, although the satellites themselves have been replaced. A far cry from the constant moves we seem to get with digital. All these channels are German and can be received in digital; though one of interest to UK viewers, Eurosport, carries an English soundtrack on analogue but not on digital. Some of the released transponders are going to be used for new HD services.

After this closedown there will be only one analogue satellite transponder world wide and that is M-Net South Africa on C band from 62E and even that is encrypted. What shall I do with my analogue receivers? Rgds, (Gareth Foster, UK, April 27, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Get into amateur TV - you can probably mod them to receive on 23 cm band. Or take them to tip. Regards (Stuart Satnipper, ibid.)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. THEME MUSIC TO CAPTURE TO TRIUMPH AND AGONY OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING. Posted: 28 Apr 2012

Stephen Arnold Music press release, 24 Apr 2012: "Viewers who tune into CNN International's long-running show, 'World Sport,' see sports news unfolding on a global scale, with breaking information on soccer, golf, tennis, motorsports, the Olympics, and more. Sonic branding experts Stephen Arnold Music composed the enduring new theme and music package for 'World Sport' that lives up to CNN International's reputation for elite news reporting. The soundtrack involved the Stephen Arnold Music team bringing in top players from the Dallas and Ft. Worth Symphony Orchestras to provide the organic distinction and depth of using real instruments in the arrangements.

It was the latest assignment in a growing string of CNN International themes written by Stephen Arnold Music, which also includes 'International Desk,' 'Inside the Middle East' and 'Inside Africa.' As

CNN International's flagship sports show, 'World Sport' demanded a new theme that would timelessly capture the triumph, agony, anticipation and communal spirit of athletics. Equally important, the music needed to transcend regional tastes, while giving CNN International producers the flexibility to easily fit the compositions to graphic elements of varying durations." With audio.
http://www.shootonline.com/go/index.php?name=Release&op=view&id=rs-web4-3994077-1335293417-2
(kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** IRAN. V. of Islamic Republic of Iran on 13650 and 11920 at 0348 30 April with the news in English read by a female hostess. Broadcast to North America. Report on the U.S. economy at 0352 with recorded interview with Ben Bernanke (Alex Klauber, Oneida, New York, 38 Miles (61 km) East of Syracuse, NY, Latitude = 43.0922, Longitude = 75.6568, Sangean ATS 909, 200" random longwire antenna with a "Slinky" toy in the middle, MFJ 1045C preselector, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17655, May 1 poor at 0459 nondescript music, 0500 Russian ID, ``Govorit Tegran``, vocal NA, 0501 Qur`an, dead giveaway format even if no ID heard. HFCC shows this semihour is the *only* time 17655 is used by any station, 500 kW, 40 degrees from Sirjan to CIRAF 30-33, i.e. all of Russia from 50 to 135 degrees east, and south of 60 degrees north; also includes most of Kazakhstan and central Asian countries east of the Caspian, Mongolia and Manchuria. EiBi too witout all those details. But Aoki also has BBC in Urdu via Novosibirsk at 0300-0330 on 17655, still? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND. RTE CUTBACKS --- RTE recently announced plans to close its London bureau as part of a cost-saving measure. The matter was discussed in Dail Eireann (pron Doyle Aron, like Jewish name], the lower house of the Irish Parliament. In some respects, it would be like CBC closing its Washington bureau or RNZ closing Canberra/Sydney. RTE retains offices elsewhere further afield.

See this RTE RSS item

ìRT…'s decision to close its London office is being debated in the D·il this evening.î View article...
http://www.rte.ie/news/2012/0501/rte-london-office-dail-debate.html

http://img.rasset.ie/0005be90-144.jpg

DL - RTE is also under pressure due to what it has itself conceded were false allegations of sex abuse against an Irish Catholic missionary in Africa. The Broadcasting Authority of Ireland will shortly report on this and on any penalty against RTE. Opposition politicians also allege unfair RTE handling of a critical debate in

last yearís Irish Presidential election campaign.

There is a parallel flood of controversy at the moment about ownership concentration and cross-ownership in the private sector. Though mostly concerning the print media, some of this controversy affects Newstalk, the dominant private sector news radio station in the country (via Derek Lynch, Eire, May 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. 15850, Galei Zahal; 2328-2334+, 27-Apr; 2M discussion in Hebrew plus pop tune. GZ ID at 2333+. SIO=3+53, nothing detectable on 6973.

6973, Galei Zahal (presumed); 2358-2404+, 28/29-Apr; Very poor; Could only tell it was // 15850 during music; 15850--English pop tune to "Shalom" at ToH into news in Hebrew to 2403, then more pop music. 15850 SIO=2+52+ (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6973, Galei Zahal, 0020-0040, local pop music. Rap music. Very weak. Very good on // 15850. April 28.

6973, Galei Zahal, 0010-0030, lite instrumental music, local pop, and US pop music. Weak but readable. Good on // 15850 April 29 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15850, 01/May 1920, Galei Zahal in Hebrew. OM talk, then pop music. At 1925 short comments in studio, then more pop music. Maybe an interview with the singer. Improving the signal 25432 (Jorge Freitas, Feira de Santana, Bahia 12 14¥S 38 58¥W - Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. 15760, 1504-1530* April 28, 2012. Farsi programming, ID. Listed 1400-1531* on short-wave.info. Very good, no jamming audible, here at least. Again on April 29, 1450-1531* (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list): NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room random wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15760, April 30 at 1356, poor signal with IBA IS prior to Persian, the only language worth shortwaving from here. So the wintry 1500-1630 broadcast has been shifted an hour earlier for summer: per timeanddate.com, Israel went on UT+3 March 30, until Sept 23, while Iran went on UT +4.5 March 21, until Sept 21. EiBi shows the other frequency is 13850 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY [non]. IRRS via transmitters in Romania heard April 8 on 7290 in unidentified language till 1830 then English identification,

religious programme, abrupt sign off 1857 (Edwin Southwell, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

Programme was La Buona Novella in Italian according to the schedule on their website. 7290 schedule is 1800-1900 Friday and Saturday, 1730-1900 Sunday. English programming apart from the one mentioned. English also on 9510 0800-0900 Saturday, 0930-1200 Sunday (Mike Barraclough, May World DX Club Contact via DXLD)

** JAPAN [non]. 11680, fair May 1 at 0452, M&W in Japanese, // an echo apart on 5960 via CANADA. 11680 is 250 kW, 135 degrees from Wertachtal, GERMANY at 02-05 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. Martyn Williams in the North Tech Korea web site at http://www.northkoreatech.org/2012/04/26/voice-of-korea-mid-2012-schedule/ has posted the following (and who knew that VoK sometimes carries different programmes to different target areas?):

Voice of Korea mid-2012 schedule

North Koreaís international shortwave broadcaster, the Voice of Korea, will use the following schedule for English language broadcasts from April 30, 2012.

The radio station broadcasts two programs a day, each around 57 minutes long. Program one is carried on broadcasts aimed at South East Asia, the Middle East and North Africa, South Africa and Central and South America. Program two is carried on broadcasts for Europe, North America and North East Asia.

Each of these programs includes the same core features: the news, editorials and the reminiscences of Kim Il Sung. Music and other features sometimes differ between the two broadcasts.

They broadly follow along these lines:

:00 Opening signal, station identification: ìThis is Voice of Koreaî
:01 National Anthem
:03 Song of General Kim Il Sung
:06 Song of General Kim Jong Il
:09 News, editorials (approx 15 minutes), followed by music
:30 Reminiscences of Great Leader President Kim Il Sung of the century
:40 Music and features
:50 Editorial, special message (occasional)
:55 Frequency information
:57 Close

The Voice of Korea has traditionally refreshed these programs,

including the news, once a day during the daytime in Korea.

The news output follows closely the text of English-language stories from KCNA with minor editing. Itís generally a day behind the news being put out on the domestic service in Korean.

The schedule is expected to remain current until late October or November this year.

Many of the news items can be found on The Voice of Koreaís website. The station also broadcasts in French, Spanish, Arabic, German, Chinese, Japanese and Russian.

The schedule for English language broadcasts is: [correxions below]

0400 GMT (1pm Korea time) to North East Asia on 7220 and 9345
0400 GMT (1pm Korea time) to Central and South America on 11735, 13760 and 15180
0500 GMT (2pm Korea time) to South East Asia on 13650 and 15100
0600 GMT (3pm Korea time) to North East Asia on 9730
1000 GMT (7pm Korea time) to South East Asia on 11735 and 13650
1000 GMT (7pm Korea time) to Central and South America on 11735 and 15180
1300 GMT (10pm Korea time) to North America on 9945 and 11710
1300 GMT (10pm Korea time) to Europe on 13760 and 15425
1500 GMT (midnight Korea time) to North America on 9945 and 11710
1500 GMT (midnight Korea time) to Europe on 13760 and 15425
1600 GMT (1am Korea time) to the Middle East and North Africa on 9990 and 11535
1800 GMT (3am Korea time) to Europe on 13760 and 15425
1900 GMT (4am Korea time) to the Middle East and North Africa on 9975 and 11535
1900 GMT (4am Korea time) to Southern Africa on 7210 and 11910
2100 GMT (6am Korea time) to Europe on 13760 and 15425
Source: On-air announcements (via Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, April 29, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

Very interesting, with unusual some new frequencies, notably 9945 for N America and 15425 for Europe. Hope there are no typos in this.

And what about the 0100, 0200 and 0300 English broadcasts? We can check the 0100 right away, which had been to Latin America on 15180, 13760, 11735. The 0400, 0500 and 0600 UT entries look a lot like the previous 0100, 0200 and 0300 broadcasts; all moved 3 hours later?

And is VOK back to full operation now after a period of erratic frequency appearances? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Hi Glenn, You spotted a couple of errors. Apologies for those. One was a typo: the correct frequency for Europe is 15245, not 15425. I went back and relistened to the recording of the announcement for North America and it's very difficult to make out through the static, but I believe it to be 9335, which agrees with this full schedule on a Japanese blog:
http://hiroshi.mediacat-blog.jp/e78308.html

It looks like the VOK broadcast day has been shifted forward. Previously it broadcast from 0700 to 0400 and now it will run from 0300 to 0000.

As for whether things are back to normal, in the last few days the transmission has twice cut out in the middle of the English broadcast to North America so it sounds like they are still having problems.

Wolfgang in Germany emailed me to say this was all part of the maintenance to replace the transmitters, but it seems strange that broadcasts affected were those running in the middle of the night local time. I would have thought most maintenance and transmitter installation was taking place in daytime, especially during the gap in transmissions. As ever, North Korea is a mystery (Martyn Williams, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checked the 07-09 UT time slot this morning. No replacement by most modern Chinese Transmitter units has taken place yet. A lot of odd signals heard so far, monitored in Brisbane, Nagoya and Tokyo:

0700	Japanese 621	9650.006	11865.026	J
0700	Korean (PBS)	7220.011	9344.983	NE CHN
0700	Russian	9974.965	11735.018	FE
0700	Russian	13760.022	15244.974	Eu

0800	Chinese	7220.011	9344.983	NECHN
0800	Japanese 621	9650.006	11865.026	J
0800	Russian	9974.965	11735.018	FE
0800	Russian	13760.022	15244.974	Eu

73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 30 DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15180, April 30 at 0105, no signal on 15180 or 13760, where V. of Korea used to broadcast English to Latin America. Could be no propagation, but a new schedule is just going into effect, per NK-watcher Martyn Williams who has been monitoring their announcements. Probably for their own convenience, not that of listeners who have to sleep sometime, this transmission is being moved 3 hours later to 0400. So at 0414 I try these two again plus third 11735, and nothing but a JBA carrier on 13760, could be VOK.

11710 // 9335, April 30 at 1339, triumphal choral music, so VOK English to NAm is still here; decided to keep colliding as usual with heavy CCI from RFA Burmese via TINIAN at 1230-1430 on 9335.

11735, April 30 at 1401, hyper-assertive N. Korean talk. Yet, Arnulf Piontek`s complete new VOK schedule shows 11735 only at 0300-1000. Hope this does not stay on too much later, to QRM Zanzibar! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello! VOICE OF KOREA, Pyongyang, DPR Korea (North), the official external broadcasting service have introduced their A12 Summer broadcasting schedule effective April 30, 2012, 0300 UT. New are the 0300 to 0700 UT broadcasts which are actually the shifted former 0000 to 0400 broadcasts. Other broadcasts are exactly as they were in the A11 schedule. I have attached the amended schedules as Word-documents. I have ceased publishing the feeder freq (3560 4405) lists as I have not been able to monitor them since autumn/fall 2010.

VOICE OF KOREA online: http://www.vok.rep.kp/CBC/ No schedules published here.

KOREAN CENTRAL BROADCASTING STATION (KCBS) daily programming for abroad online: http://175.45.176.67/krt/index.php
No schedules published here either.

If you have any queries please feel free to contact me. Happy listening, (Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany, April 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Frequency-order first not provided. Viz.:

Arabic

1500	9990	11545		Near & Middle East; North Africa
1700	9990	11545		Near & Middle East; North Africa

Chinese

0300	13650	15100		Southeast Asia
0500	7220	9345	9730	Northeast China
0600	13650	15100		Southeast Asia
0800	7220	9345		Northeast China
1100	7220	9345		Northeast China
1300	11735	13650		Southeast Asia
2100	7235	9345		Northeast China
2100	9975	11535		China
2200	7235	9345		Northeast China
2200	9975	11535		China

German

1600	9325	12015		Europe
1800	9325	12015		Europe

1900	9325	12015		Europe

English

0400	7220	9345	9730	Northeast Asia
0400	11735	13760	15180	Central & South America
0500	13650	15100		Southeast Asia
0600	7220	9345	9730	Northeast Asia
1000	11710	15180		Central & South America
1000	11735	13650		Southeast Asia
1300	13760	15245		Western Europe
1300	9335	11710		North America
1500	13760	15245		Western Europe
1500	9335	11710		North America
1600	9990	11545		Near & Middle East; North Africa
1800	13760	15245		Western Europe
1900	7210	11910		South Africa
1900	9975	11535		Near & Middle East; North Africa
2100	13760	15245		Western Europe

French

0400	13650	15100		Southeast Asia
0600	11735	13760	15180	Central & South America
1100	11710	15180		Central & South America
1100	11735	13650		Southeast Asia
1400	13760	15245		Western Europe
1400	9335	11710		North America
1600	13760	15245		Western Europe
1600	9335	11710		North America
1800	7210	11910		South Africa
1800	9975	11535		Near & Middle East; North Africa
2000	13760	15245		Western Europe

Japanese

0700	621	3250	9650	11865		Japan
0800	621	3250	9650	11865		Japan
0900	621	3250	6070	9650	11865	Japan
1000	621	3250	6070	9650	11865	Japan
1100	621	3250	6070	9650	11865	Japan
1200	621	3250	6070	9650	11865	Japan
2100	621	3250	9650	11865		Japan
2200	621	3250	9650	11865		Japan
2300	621	3250	9650	11865		Japan

Korean

0300 (PBS)	7220	9345	9730	Northeast China
0700 (PBS)	7220	9345		Northeast China
0900 (KCBS)	7220	9345		Northeast China
0900 (PBS)	13760	15245		Europe

0900	(PBS)	9975	11735	Far Eastern Russia
1000	(PBS)	7220	9345	Northeast China
1200	(KCBS)	11710	15180	Central & South America
1200	(KCBS)	11735	13650	Southeast Asia
1200	(PBS)	7220	9345	Northeast China
1300	(PBS)	9325	12015	Europe
1400	(KCBS)	11735	13650	Southeast Asia
1700	(KCBS)	13760	15245	Western Europe
1700	(KCBS)	9335	11710	North America
2000	(KCBS)	7210	11910	South Africa
2000	(KCBS)	9325	12015	Europe
2000	(KCBS)	9975	11535	Near & Middle East; North Africa
2300	(KCBS)	7235	9345	Northeast China
2300	(KCBS)	13760	15245	Western Europe
2300	(KCBS)	9975	11535	China

Russian

0700	13760	15245	Europe
0700	9975	11735	Far Eastern Russia
0800	13760	15245	Europe
0800	9975	11735	Far Eastern Russia
1400	9325	12015	Europe
1500	9325	12015	Europe
1700	9325	12015	Europe

Spanish

0300	11735	13760	15180	Central & South America
0500	11735	13760	15180	Central & South America
1900	13760	15245		Western Europe
2200	13760	15245		Western Europe

0300	Chinese	13650	15100			SEAs
0300	Korean (PBS)	7220	9345	9730		NECHN
0300	Spanish	11735	13760	15180		CAm, SAm
0400	English	7220	9345	9730		NEAs
0400	English	11735	13760	15180		CAm, SAm
0400	French	13650	15100			SEAs
0500	Chinese	7220	9345	9730		NECHN
0500	English	13650	15100			SEAs
0500	Spanish	11735	13760	15180		CAm, SAm
0600	Chinese	13650	15100			SEAs
0600	English	7220	9345	9730		NEAs
0600	French	11735	13760	15180		CAm, SAm
0700	Japanese	621	3250	7580	9650	J
0700	Korean (PBS)	7220	9345			NECHN
0700	Russian	9975	11735			FE
0700	Russian	13760	15245			Eu

0800	Chinese	7220	9345			NECHN
0800	Japanese	621	3250	7580	9650	J
0800	Russian	9975	11735			FE
0800	Russian	13760	15245			Eu
0900	Japanese	621	3250	6070	7580	9650	J
0900	Korean (KCBS)	7220	9345			NECHN
0900	Korean (PBS)	9975	11735			FE
0900	Korean (PBS)	13760	15245			Eu
1000	English	6185	9850			SEAs
1000	English	6285	9335			CAm, SAm
1000	Japanese	621	3250	6070	7580	9650	J
1000	Korean (PBS)	7220	9345			NECHN
1100	Chinese	7220	9345			CHN
1100	French	6185	9850			SEAs
1100	French	6285	9335			CAm, SAm
1100	Japanese	621	3250	6070	7580	9650	J
1200	Japanese	621	3250	6070	7580	9650	J
1200	Korean (KCBS)	6185	9850			SEAs
1200	Korean (KCBS)	6285	9335			CAm, SAm
1200	Korean (PBS)	7220	9345			NECHN
1300	Chinese	6185	9850			SEAs
1300	English	7570	12015			WEu
1300	English	9335	11710			NAm
1300	Korean (PBS)	6285	9325			Eu
1400	French	7570	12015			WEu
1400	French	9335	11710			NAm
1400	Korean (KCBS)	6185	9850			SEAs
1400	Russian	6285	9325			Eu
1500	Arabic	9990	11545			ME, NAf
1500	English	7570	12015			WEu
1500	English	9335	11710			NAm
1500	Russian	6285	9325			Eu
1600	English	9990	11545			ME, NAf
1600	French	7570	12015			WEu
1600	French	9335	11710			NAm
1600	German	6285	9325			WEu
1700	Arabic	9990	11545			ME, NAf
1700	Korean (KCBS)	7570	12015			WEu
1700	Korean (KCBS)	9335	11710			NAm
1700	Russian	6285	9325			Eu
1800	English	7570	12015			WEu
1800	French	7210	11910			SAf
1800	French	9975	11535			ME, NAf
1800	German	6285	9325			WEu
1900	English	7210	11910			SAf
1900	English	9975	11535			ME, NAf
1900	German	6285	9325			WEu
1900	Spanish	7570	12015			WEu

2000	French	7570	12015		WEu
2000	Korean (KCBS)	6285	9325		WEu
2000	Korean (KCBS)	7210	11910		SAf
2000	Korean (KCBS)	9975	11535		ME, NAf
2100	Chinese	7235	9345		NECHN
2100	Chinese	9975	11535		CHN
2100	English	7570	12015		WEu
2100	Japanese	621	3250	7580	9650	J
2200	Chinese	7235	9345		NECHN
2200	Chinese	9975	11535		CHN
2200	Japanese	621	3250	7580	9650	J
2200	Spanish	7570	12015		WEu
2300	Japanese	621	3250	7580	9650	J
2300	Korean (KCBS)	7235	9345		NECHN
2300	Korean (KCBS)	7570	12015		WEu
2300	Korean (KCBS)	9975	11535		CHN

Another version shows the azimuth for each frequency, which can be summarized:

Non-direxional: lower frequencies in Korean, Chinese, Japanese, English to NE Asia
28: Americas, FE Russia
109: Japan, higher frequencies
238: SE Asia
271: China, South Africa
296: Mideast, Africa
325: Europe
(via Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

KOREA D.P.R. A-12 Transmission Schedule of the Voice of Korea, Pyongyang, DPR Korea valid from Monday, 30 April 2012.

Narrowed close to latest Hertz accurateness:

0300 Chinese 13649.974 15100.029 SEAs
0300 Korean (PBS) 7220.003 9345.001 9729.962 NE CHN
0300 Spanish 11735.017 13760.022 15180.013 CAm, SAm

0400 English 7220.003 9345.002 9729.962 NE As
0400 English 11735.017 13760.022 15179.973 CAm, SAm
0400 French 13649.976 15100.029 SEAs

0500 Chinese 7220.007 9345.002 9729.964 NE CHN
0500 English 13649.979 15100.031 SEAs
0500 Spanish 11735.018 13760.025 15179.976 CAm, SAm

0600 Chinese 13649.979 15100.031 SEAs

0600 English 7220.007 9345.003 9729.964 NE As
0600 French 11735.018 13760.023 15179.975 CAm, SAm

0700 Japanese 621 9650.006 11865.026 J
0700 Korean (PBS) 7220.011 9344.983 NE CHN
0700 Russian 9974.965 11735.018 FE
0700 Russian 13760.022 15244.974 Eu

0800 Chinese 7220.011 9344.983 NE CHN
0800 Japanese 621 9650.006 11865.026 J
0800 Russian 9974.965 11735.018 FE
0800 Russian 13760.022 15244.974 Eu

0900 Japanese 621 6070.0 9650.006 11865.026 J
0900 Korean (KCBS) 7220.011 9344.983 NE CHN
0900 Korean (PBS) 9974.965 11735.018 FE
0900 Korean (PBS) 13760.022 15244.974 Eu

1000 English 11709.979 15180? CAm, SAm
1000 English 11735.018 13649.952 SEAs
1000 Japanese 621 6070.0 9650.006 11865.026 J
1000 Korean (PBS) 7220.011 9344.983 NE CHN

1100 Chinese 7220.011 9344.983 CHN
1100 French 11709.979 15180? CAm, SAm
1100 French 11735.018 13649.952 SEAs
1100 Japanese 621 6070.0 9650.006 11865.026 J

1200 Japanese 621 6070.0 9650.006 11865.026 J
1200 Korean (KCBS) 11709.979 15180? CAm, SAm
1200 Korean (KCBS) 11735.018 13649.952 SEAs
1200 Korean (PBS) 7220.011 9344.983 NE CHN

1300 Chinese 11735.018 13649.952 SEAs
1300 English 9335.006 11709.980 NAm
1300 English 13760.023 15245.254 WEu
1300 Korean (PBS) 9325.011 12015.025 Eu

1400 French 9335.006 11709.980 NAm
1400 French 13760.021 15245.245 WEu
1400 Korean (KCBS) 11735.018 13649.951 SEAs
1400 Russian 9325.012 12015.026 Eu

1500 Arabic 9989.966 11545.017 ME, NAf
1500 English 9335.006 11709.980 NAm
1500 English 13760.021 15244.971 WEu
1500 Russian 9325.013 12015.027 Eu

1600 German 9325.013 12015.027 WEu
1600 English 9989.966 11545.017 ME, NAf
1600 French 9335.006 11709.981 NAm
1600 French 13760.021 15244.977 WEu

1700 Arabic 9989.967 11545.019 ME, NAf
1700 Korean (KCBS) 9335.006 11709.981 NAm
1700 Korean (KCBS) 13760.022 15244.976 WEu
1700 Russian 9325.012 12015.025 Eu

1800 German 9325.012 12015.024 WEu
1800 English 13760.022 15244.976 WEu
1800 French 7210.003 11909.979 SAf
1800 French 9974.966 11535.015 ME, NAf

1900 German 9325.013 12015.025 WEu
1900 English 7210.003 11909.982 SAf
1900 English 9974.966 11535.017 ME, NAf
1900 Spanish 13760.024 15244.978 WEu

2000 French 13760.023 15244.977 WEu
2000 Korean (KCBS) 7210.003 11909.982 SAf
2000 Korean (KCBS) 9325.011 12015.025 WEu
2000 Korean (KCBS) 9974.964 11535.017 ME, NAf

2100 Chinese 7235.010 9344.984 NE CHN
2100 Chinese 9974.966 11535.017 CHN
2100 English 13760.023 15244.978 WEu
2100 Japanese 621 9650.007 11865.027 J

2200 Chinese 7235.010 9344.983 NE CHN
2200 Chinese 9974.965 11535.016 CHN
2200 Japanese 621 9650.006 11865.026 J
2200 Spanish 13760.022 15244.977 WEu

2300 Japanese 621 9650.005 11865.026 J
2300 Korean (KCBS) 7235.009 9344.983 NE CHN
2300 Korean (KCBS) 9974.964 11535.016 CHN
2300 Korean (KCBS) 13760.021 15244.978 WEu

All times in UT, all frequencies in kHz, subject to change at short notice. Programmes last 47 to 57 minutes. Data based on announcements and schedules of the Voice of Korea and own monitoring.

KCBS= Korean Central Broadcasting Station (Choson Jungang Pangsong)
PBS = Pyongyang Broadcasting Station (Pyongyang Pangsong)
Compiled by Arnulf Piontek, Berlin, Germany (Updated for A-12 by Wolfgang B¸schel, April 30-May 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I haven't had a proper chance to monitor all frequencies yet.

The 1000 GMT broadcast to Central and South America comes in much worse than the old 6285 here in northern California. The 1200 GMT English program is coming in OK, but this morning it was suffering with some adjacent-channel interference from KJES on 11715.

I also continue to hear another language service in the background of the main English program so that hasn't been fixed So far, no abrupt cut offs midway through transmission (Martyn Williams, May 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) KJES not supposed to start until 1300 (gh)

** KOREA NORTH. D.P.R.K., Voice of Korea has moved from Winter to Summer sked on April 30. New in the summer A-12: deleted 0000-0357 time slot and added 0300-0657!

Arabic
1500-1557 on 9990 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1500-1557 on 11545 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1700-1757 on 9990 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1700-1757 on 11545 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf

Chinese
0300-0357 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0000-0057
0300-0357 on 15100 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0000-0057
0500-0557 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0200-0257
0500-0557 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0200-0257
0500-0557 on 9730 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0200-0257
0600-0657 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0300-0357
0600-0657 on 15100 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0300-0357
0800-0857 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
0800-0857 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1100-1157 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1100-1157 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1300-1357 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1300-1357 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
2100-2157 on 7235 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2100-2157 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2100-2157 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China
2100-2157 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China
2200-2257 on 7235 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2200-2257 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2200-2257 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China
2200-2257 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China

German [alfabetically: Deutsch]
1600-1657 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu

1600-1657 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1800-1857 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1800-1857 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1900-1957 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1900-1957 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu

English
0400-0457 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 9730 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0100-0157
0500-0557 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0200-0257
0500-0557 on 15100 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0200-0257
0600-0657 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0300-0357
0600-0657 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0300-0357
0600-0657 on 9730 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0300-0357
1000-1057 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm
1000-1057 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm
1000-1057 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1000-1057 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1300-1357 on 9335 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1300-1357 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1300-1357 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1300-1357 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1500-1557 on 9335 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1500-1557 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1500-1557 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1500-1557 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1600-1657 on 9990 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1600-1657 on 11545 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1800-1857 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1800-1857 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1900-1957 on 7210 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
1900-1957 on 11910 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
1900-1957 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1900-1957 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
2100-2157 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2100-2157 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu

French
0400-0457 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0100-0157
0400-0457 on 15100 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs, ex 0100-0157
0600-0657 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0300-0357
0600-0657 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0300-0357
0600-0657 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0300-0357
1100-1157 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm

1100-1157 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm
1100-1157 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1100-1157 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1400-1457 on 9335 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1400-1457 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1400-1457 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1400-1457 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1600-1657 on 9335 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1600-1657 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1600-1657 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1600-1657 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1800-1857 on 7210 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
1800-1857 on 11910 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
1800-1857 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
1800-1857 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
2000-2057 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2000-2057 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu

Japanese + MW 621 kHz
0700-0757 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0700-0757 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0800-0850 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0800-0850 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0900-0957 on 6070 KNG 250 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0900-0957 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
0900-0957 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1000-1050 on 6070 KNG 250 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1000-1050 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1000-1050 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1100-1157 on 6070 KNG 250 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1100-1157 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1100-1157 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1200-1250 on 6070 KNG 250 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1200-1250 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
1200-1250 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2100-2150 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2100-2150 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2200-2257 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2200-2257 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2300-2350 on 9650 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan
2300-2350 on 11865 KUJ 200 kW / 109 deg to Japan

Korean - Pyongyang Broadcasting Station
0300-0350 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0000-0050
0300-0350 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0000-0050
0300-0350 on 9730 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs, ex 0000-0050
0700-0757 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
0700-0757 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs

0900-0950 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0900-0950 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0900-0950 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
0900-0950 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1000-1050 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1000-1050 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1200-1257 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1200-1257 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1300-1350 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1300-1350 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu

Korean - Korean Central Broadcasting Station
0900-0950 on 7220 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
0900-0950 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
1200-1250 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm
1200-1250 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm
1200-1250 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1200-1250 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1400-1450 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1400-1450 on 13650 KUJ 200 kW / 238 deg to SEAs
1700-1750 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1700-1750 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1700-1750 on 9335 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
1700-1750 on 11710 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to NoAm
2000-2050 on 7210 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
2000-2050 on 11910 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to SoAf
2000-2050 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2000-2050 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2000-2050 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
2000-2050 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 296 deg to N&ME, NoAf
2300-2350 on 7235 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2300-2350 on 9345 KUJ 200 kW / non-dir to NEAs
2300-2350 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China
2300-2350 on 11535 KUJ 200 kW / 271 deg to China
2300-2350 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
2300-2350 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu

Russian
0700-0757 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0700-0757 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0700-0757 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
0700-0757 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
0800-0857 on 9975 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0800-0857 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to FE Russia
0800-0857 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
0800-0857 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1400-1457 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1400-1457 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu

1500-1557 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1500-1557 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1700-1757 on 9325 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu
1700-1757 on 12015 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to EaEu

Spanish
0300-0357 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0000-0057
0300-0357 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0000-0057
0300-0357 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0000-0057
0500-0557 on 11735 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0000-0057
0500-0557 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0200-0257
0500-0557 on 15180 KUJ 200 kW / 028 deg to Ce&SoAm, ex 0200-0257
1900-1957 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
1900-1957 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2200-2257 on 13760 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
2200-2257 on 15245 KUJ 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu
KNG=Kanggye KUJ=Kujang (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH. 11735, May 1 at 1242, choral music // 11710, 1243 Korean announcement. 11735 still on at 1346 with same choral music with mezzo soloist, as on English 11710, but not // so a different service. Then at 1347, Chinese announcement on 11735. 1407, 11735 is still on, now in Korean. Latest new VOK sked from DX Mix News includes 11735 until 1500, off we hope just in time for Zanzibar.

13760 poor // 11710 at 1350 May 1 with music, and then English announcement also on // 9335 with RFA CCI. 13760 is for Europe, the others for NAm.

15180, May 2 at 1249, NK NA, VG with flutter and off 1250*. This frequency is missing from Arnulf Piontek`s new VOK schedule by language, but included in his schedule by time, as KCBS in Korean to C&S America from 1200. Not the only inconsistency, so cross-check when uplooking. Also is included in the DX Re Mix News schedule version (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. Re: EGYPT, La peor estaciÛn de la Onda Corta

SÌ, Alfredo, La Voz de Corea deberÌa ser incluida por sus traducciones, que parecen hechas por Tarz·n despuÈs de haberse bajado una damajuana de tinto de 10 litros. Pero tÈcnicamente sale bien en todas sus frecuencias.

A Radio Cairo, igual que a Radio Damasco, ya ni se le entiende lo que dice. Hace tiempo. De paso, no quiero olvidarme de dos perlas latinoamericanas: Radio Deus È Amor (hasta hace un tiempo) y LRA en 6060 (hoy), que est·n en los primeros puestos tambiÈn. 73 de CX2ABP

(Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, April 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 7225, April 26 at 1244, VOA Korean. Come to think of it, I never hear any jamming on this service, nor on // 11935, 15180. Are the Juche jammers even trying? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. KOREA(NON)/TAJIKISTAN, 15720. Radio Free Chosun. 1330 UT, OM announcer, followed by YL and some music in an unidentified language. Music ranged from Asian in characteristics to more Westernized pop. Narrative by OM announcer extended from before 1340 to 1345. Signal is very weak, and the audio sounds low. Any other possibilities besides Radio Chosun? Note: This sure ain't RNZI! SIO 232, deterioration to 131 by the top of the hour. Off at 1400. No ID heard (Tim Rahto, location unknown, April 28, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5985, Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata, ex: 6020; quick checks at 1346 and 1402, April 29 found them best in LSB to get away from the Myanmar (5985.83) het; in Japanese; fair with light jamming already here; scheduled 1330 to 1430, so no hope at all of hearing Myanmar during this time period (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JAPAN, Frequency changes of Shiokaze (Sea-breeze) in various languages*:
1330-1430 NF 5985 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to KRE , ex 6020
2000-2100 NF 5910 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to KRE , ex 6075
* Jap Mon/Wed/Thu; Chi/Kor Wed; Eng Fri; Kor/Jap Sat; Jap/Kor Sun
(DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH [non]. 9650, KBSWR via CANADA, Saturday April 28 I start listening early enough from 1245, I think, to hear Kevin O`Donovan, but he never showed up; just Jeff in Maryland at 1251 with `Tech Tips`, about how the KBSWR website Quarterly Quiz has multiple choices and linx to the answers, resulting in 100+ winners, too many to name on the air, but a clever way to get listeners/readers to learn more about Korea (of course the winners are chosen by the draw from the thousands who must get the answers right so easily). 1255 studio announcers with usual ``regional summary of reception conditions`` of KBSWR, 1256 wrapping up show (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN. 3965, Voice of Iranian Kurdistan. *0225 with IS and Hymn at 0230 and ID ìEira Dengi Kurdistana Iranî in Kurdish // 4866 on 16/4 (it is different station from Voice of Kurdistan also in Kurdish but starting at 0147 on 3930 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non]. Ukraine ñ Denge Mezopotamya with a weak signal on 11530 at 0400 April 30. Sounds like a prayer service in Kurdish, featuring a male priest. Music at 0409 with a male announcer (Alex Klauber, Oneida, New York, 38 Miles (61 km) East of Syracuse, NY, Latitude = 43.0922, Longitude = 75.6568, Sangean ATS 909, 200" random longwire antenna with a "Slinky" toy in the middle, MFJ 1045C preselector, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT [and non]. Radio Kuwait, 6080 Sulaibiyah. May 2, 2012. Wednesday. 1845-1854. Arabic, but unreadable due to multiple co-channel QRM in English, probably Radio Australia from Shepparton and VOA from Meyerton. An absolute mish mash of signals. Poor and unreadable due to co-channel QRM. Jo'burg sunset 1537 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15540, April 26 at 1832, very poor signal from R. Kuwait English; 2001 had improved to poor with rock music, and 17550 Arabic had also come on with roughly equal signal.

15540, Friday April 27 at 2031, R. Kuwait is playing ME music instead of western pop! And soon found // 17550, so it`s the Arabic service instead of English, soon confirmed by lo-key YL announcement. Reverent? Or maybe just her late-night style. At the moment, 17550 is stronger, but with more flutter. This means no English news summary at 2050 either. At 2100 fade music for accurate 5+1 timesignal, news fanfare and news in Arabic, 15540 staying on until cut off at 2105:45* and // 17550 which continued.

So what has become of the English service at 18-21 on 15540? Hope it`s just a fluke or mixup today, but R. Kuwait has always claimed in HFCC that those two sesquihours are in Arabic, and 15540 has *never* been announced, instead imaginary ``11990`` for English, where there was still nothing to be heard.

15540, at 1819 April 28, good signal, playing Beyonce or somebody, so sounds like it`s back to English instead of Arabic; whew (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17550, R. Kuwait, 4/28 2340, Arabian music, fem vocal, VG. F announcer at TOH, follow by male and close (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, S-77A, HQ-200, SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky, l.w., NASWA yg via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. 5010.00, Radio Madagasikara, 0223-0250, carrier + USB. Tune-in to local African choral music. Short IS at 0226. National Anthem at 0226:30. Opening ID anamts at 0229. Malagasy talk. African choral music. Weak. Poor in noisy conditions. April 29 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

?? Radio Madagasikara ?? 5010 Antananarivo ?? April 30, 2012. Monday. 1837-1854. YL singing, followed by other tunes and songs. I recognise the tune of "Ave Maria" at 1852. Very distorted, and nothing I do will clean it up. Same on two receivers (Drake and Sony). So bad I can't even make out the language. Sounds like gross overloading, but not at this end, only s7. Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. April 24 survey:

5964.7, Klasik Nasional via RTM, via Kajang, 1230-1245; in vernacular; call-to-prayer and Islamic segment; 1240 Klasik Nasional jingle; DJ with many IDs; pop songs; fair. MP3 audio posted at
http://www.box.com/s/942380a519371232f219
Website at
http://klasiknasional.dapat.fm/

6050.02, Asyik FM via RTM, via Kajang, 1249-1300; in vernacular; songs in Hindi and pop songs; promo montage for Asyik FM; no news at 1300. MP3 audio
http://www.box.com/s/e6ba195baefb57a5e9fe

6050.02, Salam FM via RTM, via Kajang, started at 1500; 1+1 pips, Salam FM jingle; choral National Anthem (Negaraku ñ Lagu Kebangsaan Malaysia); Islamic programming (Qurían, etc.). MP3 audio at
http://www.box.com/s/381d343ce23c24b20cbd

9835, Sarawak FM via RTM, via Kajang, 1301; in vernacular with the RTM National news; // 5964.7 Klasik Nasional and 11665 Wai FM; 1312 no longer // and local Sarawak FM ID and pop songs. 9835 off the air April 26.

7295, Traxx FM via RTM, via Kajang, 1333-1352; DJ in English with pop songs; poor with adjacent QRM (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9835, May 2 at 1335, RTM talking about Qur`an, bits of Arabic such as ``Salaam aleikum`` (or is that Malay too?), poor signal but no CCI; 1334 into Qur`an recitation, i.e. musical, mixed with crowd noises. No Separation of Mosque and State here! Even tho Malaysia is only 60.4% Islamic, per CIA Factbook. Other frequency 11665, as always, if on, is buried in CCI from the Taiwan/China radio war (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 5995, RTVM, 2315-0001*, local tribal music, Afro-pop music, and indigenous vocals. Some talk in unidentified language. Sign off with National Anthem. Poor to fair. April 25-26.

RTVM, *0555-0630, sign on with IS on local guitar. National Anthem at 0558. Flute IS at 0559 and opening French ID announcements. Local tribal music at 0602. Fair to good signal at first, but weak modulation at 0600. April 28 (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GUNFIRE AND DEATH AT ORTM HQ:
http://gruporadioescuchaargentino.wordpress.com/2012/05/01/tiroteo-y-muerte-en-la-sede-de-radio-mali/
(GRA blog via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

** MAURITANIA. 7245, R. Mauritaine, Nouakchott, 0723-0734 May 1, Arabic; string music bit into M announcer; another mx bit at 0729, then M announcer thru tune/out; fair (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Re XEQ 940 in again tonight // webstream --- Still off frequency? (Rick Shaftan, NJ, April 26, IRCA via DXLD) Yes, 939.868 here in QC (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC, 0450 UT April 27, ibid.)

** MEXICO. 1050, April 26 at 1212, XEG with `El MaÒanero` program from Monterrey NL, ``The morning man``, but YL DJ voice is not manly (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO [and non]. MÈxico, nueva emisora en 1650 kHz --- Siendo las 21:30 horas de la Ciudad de MÈxico -Tiempo del Centro- [0230 UT April 27] empecÈ a escuchar con muy buena presencia m˙sica instrumental en los 1650 kHz identificando como "Zer Radio 16-50``. Posteriormente dicen transmitir desde la Ciudad de MÈxico con 5,000 vatios de potencia y pertenecer al grupo radiofÛnico "Zer". El buen amigo HÈctor GarcÌa Bojorge me habÌa comentado hace unos dÌas que habÌa leÌdo de una nueva emisora que emitirÌa en los 16-50.

Me dice HÈctor que el nombre "Zer" al parecer es por el apellido del concesionario "ZermeÒo" y pudiera ser su indicativo nominal XEZER Saludos, (Juli·n Santiago DÌez de Bonilla, MÈxico, D.F., April 26, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[later:] La identifican como "ZER Radio16-50, XEAZR, una emisora de Grupo RadiofÛnico ZER", Saludos, (Juli·n Santiago D. de B., ibid.)

1650 kHz, hot tip from Juli·n Santiago DÌez de Bonilla, and HÈctor GarcÌa Bojorge in the DF of a brand-new Mexico City station on the x-band, heard from 0230 UT April 27, XEAZR, Radio Zer, part of the group of that name, ID as ``"ZER Radio 16-50, XEAZR, una emisora de Grupo RadiofÛnico ZER". But Roberto GÛmez citing apparently official info

says the call is XEARZ, and the power is 5 kW day and night. They were playing instrumental music.

So I start looking for it at 0523 April 27: I am mainly getting two stations, one with gospel music and one with talk, presumably US, but at 0526 the gospel music station makes a Spanish announcement, 0531 with a partial URL including 1650.com. Surely that is KBJD Denver, whose real website is http://www.1650radioluz.com and the other one most likely KCNZ in IA. (BTW, don`t forget the listed but rarely reported SS in El Paso TX on 1650, KSVE [as in ``suave``], 24h rom·ntica in stereo, per NRC AM Log).

Anyhow, no XE-whatever audible here yet. Not in WRTH 2012, but Cant˙ shows this:
``1650 XEARZ (en construcciÛn) MÈxico, DF 5,000 ?``[=night power unknown]
and in the DF list adds this: ``1650 XEARZ En construcciÛn. 5,000 watts. Permisionada (sin fines de lucro) pero parte de Grupo ZER.``
i.e. its permit is non-profit, so no ads? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hola a todos: Gracias Doctor Juli·n por la informaciÛn de la estaciÛn.

A continuaciÛn m·s detalles:

PoblaciÛn: Ciudad de MÈxico.
Nota: Permiso.
Permisionario: Arnoldo RodrÌguez ZermeÒo.
Distintivo: XEARZ-AM
Frecuencia: 1650 kHz
Potencia en kW: 5.000 diurna, 5.000 nocturna.
Vigencia: Inicio 30-Nov-11, Vencimiento 29-Nov-23.

Fuente: Cofetel. El permisionario de XEARZ-AM es el concesionario de las estaciones del Grupo ZER. Es posible que se pueda lograr captar esta emisora en lugar distantes. Reciban un cordial saludo.
Atentamente, (Roberto GÛmez, MÈxico, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Buenas Noches. Pasando de las 23:00, Hora del centro de Mexico, ha mejorado la seÒal de esta emisora, con m˙sica instrumental; entre canciÛn y canciÛn dan la hora y su identificaciÛn "ZER Radio" y a la hora la identificaciÛn completa como lo indicÛ Juli·n. Saludos (HÈctor GarcÌa Bojorge, UT April 27, ibid.)

So far I have not heard it nor seen any extraMexican captures (gh)

** MEXICO. 6185, April 27 at 0501 tune-in, open carrier until 0503:45*

in large sideband from CRI English 6190 via Sackville. No doubt XEPPM, at its new 0500*. The question is, whether there was any modulation to be heard before 0500.

6185, April 28 at 0458, open carrier, possibly just barely modulated, blown away at 0459 by CRI English 6190 via Sackville. 0500 is the nominal sign-off time now for XEPPM. Still need to check it earlier to hear if they are managing to modulate.

6185, April 29 I manage to check R. EducaciÛn as early as 0430, and yes, the carrier is on, but no, there is no audible modulation. Can`t have one without the other. Don`t they realize they are failing to modulate? Just flip the switch turning on the transmitter and forget it.

6185, April 30 at 0412, XEPPM is still nothing but a dead carrier. A pity, since until 0500 there is no adjacent QRM. Vatican is also on 6185 at 0230-0500, to E Europe, but now pretty much faded out here by 0400.

6185, May 1 at 0446, XEPPM once again unlistenable, fair carrier but just barely modulated with vocal music (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 87.75 MHz, unidentified analog TV 6 audio. 2103 UT April 24, 2012. Strong with novela programming.

90.1, XHSAT Mix, Villahermosa, Tabasco. 2102 April 24, 2012. Spanish ballads, ID. Thanks D. Crawford skip alert.

90.9, Mexico (presumed) 2108 April 24, 2012. Two battling it out, one with nonstop Spanish preacher, the other with Spanish pop vocals.

107.7, MEXICO unidentified. 2312 April 24, 2012. Someone here relaying the government national news hour (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list): NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room random wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. As in last report, the sporadic-E TVDX opening faded out April 28 by 1740 UT --- usually Es stays out after local noon, but today it came back around 1831 with Spanish CCI on channel 2.

1843, still mix on 2 and now MUF up to ch 3, 1846 a net-5 movie, featuring bats, snow free for a while.

1843, ch 2 with net-5 promo

1846, ch 4 is now opening up with CCI, but I have other stuff to do so

miss the rest of the afternoon`s opening.

Another sporadic-E opening erupted April 28, only up to channel 2 audio, 60 MHz, often only ch 2 video 55 MHz; never found any activity on ch 3 or higher. All times UT.

1555 on 2, noting weak analog video activity with antenna at default aim south. Checking 6m Es map, only a single contact displayed, between Minnesota and Virginia, so I rotate to north in case it`s Canada, which I haven`t seen since last summer(?), but no, the peak is SSW.

1620 on 2, TVKIDZ in lower left; 1621 an X- ID super flashes by in the upper left for only a few sex and I can`t copy it! A circular bug in UR.

1627 on 2, strong but video only, IFE PSA, zero-CCI, AMLO ad; then some audio fades in too, Spanish.

1628 on 2, tiny white letters super ID again flash in upper left, and this time I make out SAN LUIS POTOSI tho the call is partially overscanned offscreen on my 12-inch B&W Zenith which can`t be adjusted. Anyhow, it`s XHSLT, 100 kW on net-2. They are just opening a movie with credits including John Travolta, and SS announcer also speaks the credits, so it is going to be dubbed.

1630 on 2, AMLO large letters, apparent political ad, Presidente 2012. Is that a party or a candidate?

1631 on 2, good fade-in with strong video, TeleActiva news promo, then f-bug in LL for another program promo, ``El MaÒanero`` at 6:30 am L-V; more political ads, PSA from ComisiÛn Estatal Electoral de Nuevo LeÛn, encouraging voting per se.

1653 on 2, an infomercial for something is running with large MTY in lower left and phone number across the bottom. All this is XEFB, which in my previous heyday of TVDXing was a regular on channel 3, but it`s been on 2 for many years now. W9WI.com listing must be in default error, showing only a CP for 0.0 kW.

1700 on 2, now it`s `Lucha Libre Azteca`, fake costumed wrestling taking a break, 1704 has illegible bug in UR, time and temp at 26 degrees above 12:04 = CDT. Soon back to the match which has a large eye/flame Azteca logo behind the ring. Googling indicates this is on the Azteca 7 net, so probably skip has shifted over to XHTAU Tampico, tho there are a bunch of other affiliates elsewhere. Opening weakens and pretty much gone by 1740 altho by now there are some US 6m ham contacts with Mexico.

I left the TV on anyway, and at 1816 heard a couple Spanish-sounding syllables, meteor burst?

More analog sporadic E TVDX, May 1. The season seems off to a good start, all times UT:

1507 on 2, video fades in, as I had been monitoring for about a semihour, peaks SSW, 1511 gameshow? Fades in and mostly out

1534 on 2, now in English, ad for Attorney Brian Locke (sp, sp?), and for Kaplan College medical assistant program, Cash Store. Has to be XHRIO Matamoros, which serves as Fox affiliate for the RGV. They sure speak good English in Kill-the-Moors, no accent at all. We are greatly indebted to the Mexicans for keep one full-power ``American`` analog station going on channel 2! Or does Matamoros allude to eating beans?

1536 on 2, CCI to above with Azteca 7 promo heard on audio. Probably XHTAU Tampico but can`t be sure. 1537, full screen logo for Azteca Noreste, so now I am sure it is Tampico, Tamaulipas.

1537 on 4, now the MUF is up to here with algo video.

1537 on 2, CCI to above from another SS, Yemina ad

1541 on 2, more English ads past 1543, no doubt XHRIO during `Access Hollywood`

1549 on 2, Spanish video, glimpse of ``CSI-NY`` promo. Which net is this on in Mexico? CBS in USA, presumably not yet syndicated via XHRIO. I can proudly say I have never wasted my time watching *any* CSI version.

1615, after fade out, signals resurge on 2, 3 and 4

1627 on 2, SS novela briefly snowfree; zero-beat CCI from a talk show with f-bug in LL, i.e. net-4, Foro TV

1629 on 2, talk show, M&Ws around a (kitchen?) table, and standing beside them is a woman with Indian braids and costume --- in the ``India MarÌa`` tradition, no doubt, which would be P.I. in USA

1631 on 2, crowd shot with large bottom caption 1-o de Mayo 2012.

1632 on 2, VG signal peak mentioning Televisa, and 5 de Mayo ad for something in Monterrey, i.e. XEFB [5/5 not being as big a deal in XE-land as it has been made to be in Aztl·n]

1635 on 2, TEGUCIGALPA caption about some celebration there. I dare not assume at all this is really the never-seen, out-of-single-hop-range Honduras instead of just a Mexican.

1639 on 4, presidential debate promo, from IFE, 8 pm, couldn`t catch date. I suppose this will be on most/all networx?

1639 on 5, now video MUF is barely up to here

1643 on 4, news of an earthquake at 11:39 in Chiapas, preliminary rating 4.5. (Key words are sismo, temblor). Not sure if this is a break-in or regular midday newscast

1644 on 5, pitchman with phone number abottom, and just above it an address on Calle Canad· #???

1650 on 3, credit roll after a movie(?), UR bug of a large 3 in a circle, and below it 11:50 23C. Then animated ID of huge 3 rolling around screen from various angles, and below it ES MI CANAL, not positive about last word. Logo matches XHPN Piedras Negras, Coahuila as explained in previous report.

1650 on 6, now signs of video here, but not for long

1655 on 3, Primer Impacto, the tabloid news magazine from UnivisiÛn, complete with the U bug in LR, and no other bugs visible in other corners --- but surely as relayed by some Televisa network, not U itself on either side of border on ch 3? Storm chaser video of tornado, destruxion a few days ago in Thurman IA; next story from Guatemala. Checked UNI net feed via local cable, and NOT on that now, a novela instead.

1658 everything fades out just before ID time. I rather hope they stay out as I have other stuff to do! Still gone at 1730, and then checking the 6m Es map, lots of contacts centred around central US, including some mid-paths right over me. Hello, Es patch way up over my head.

More sporadic-E analog TVDX May 2: turned on ch 2 around 1350 and nothing showing, but at 1410 now there is Spanish CCI, audio and video, plus some video showing on 3. Generally weak, in and out.

1435 on 2, f bug in lower left amid CCI, i.e. Net-4 foro TV
1435 on 2, program promo with net-2 Star bug in LR, different station?
1444 on 2, hoy bug in LL, i.e. net-2 Today show
Opening remains marginal past 1530, mostly out (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MICRONESIA. 4755.44, Pohnpei, The Cross Radio, 0910 to 1010 (Robert

Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD) No date but sometime in April (gh)

** MYANMAR. 7110, Myanmar (Burma), 1100 to 1120, on "Burmese New Year" of 17 April. Power in Rangoon: on 5 hours a day, off 19, except for 12 to 17 during festival. Tnx Burmese Ham Operator (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

7110, *2330-2340, MYA, 22.04, Rakhine R, Pyin Oo Lwin, Chin (listed) talk with string music in the background, native orchestra music with drum, ann and tribal song, 35232 (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres longwire in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

7110, Thazin Radio, 1444-1448, April 24. In English; segment about the Myanmar family; ìThe village in Myanmar is just like a familyî; about village elders; ìVillage Womenís Association is called Öî; April 25 covered with white noise jamming at 1434 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEPAL [and non]. Band 2 Tropo Logs - 25th March 2012 0109-0310 UT:

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 90.8  Jaagran FM, Surkhet, Nepal Nepali Weak
 91.9  Radio Mantra, Bareilley 55555 Hindi Songs
 92.7  2 Big FM stn's mixing
 93.8  Dinesh FM, Dhangadi, Nepal Nepali Talk
 93.9  Unid Nepali Stn, Weak
 94.0  Krishnasar FM, Nepal 35333
 94.5  Unid Nepali Stn, Weak
 94.6  Bageshwari FM, Nepalgunj, Nepal 35343
 96.2  Radio Mahakali, Mahendranagar, Nepal 35433 0218 UTC
 96.2  Radio Mahakali, Kanchanpur, Nepal 35433
 96.4  Jaljala FM CRS, Rolpa, Nepal  45444 http://radiojaljala.org/
 98.6  Radio Bheri, Surkhet Nepal 45333
 99.4  Shuklaphanta FM, Nepal 55555
100.1  AIR Gorakhpur (Presumed) 55555
100.2  AIR Patiala 55555
100.3  Unid AIR Stn, Jaipur ?
100.4  AIR Bareilley 55555
100.5  Unid AIR ?
100.7  AIR Lucknow 55555
101.3  AIR Aligarh 55555
101.4  AIR Kurukshetra 45444 0225 UTC
101.6  Unid AIR, Indore or Raipur ?
101.8  Kantipur FM, Nepal
101.9  AIR Faizabad (presumed)
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102.1 AIR Mussourie 45544
102.8 Unid Nepali stn ?
103.0 Radio Nepal, Buditola 55555
103.1 AIR Alwar 55555
103.7 AIR Shimla

Audio Files :

Jaagran FM, Birendranagar, Surkhet, 90.8 MHz, 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/jaagran-fm-birendranagar

Kantipur FM 101.8 MHz 0132 UTC 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/kantipurfm-101-8-1932utc

Radio Mahakali, Nepal 96.2 MHz, 0136 UTC, 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/radiomahakali-96-2-0136utc

Jaljala FM, Nepal 96.4 MHz 0139 UTC 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/radiojaljala-96-4-0139utc

Radio Bheri FM, Nepal 98.6 MHz 0135 UTC 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/radiobherifm-98-6-1435-1438utc

Dinesh FM, Nepal 93.8 MHz 0126 UTC 25 Mar 2012
http://soundcloud.com/alokesh/dineshfm-93-8-0126-0130utc

Rx : Sony XDR-F1HD   Ant : Stacked GP
--- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, May 1, dx_sasia yg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [and non]. The Media Network years - Part Two: the 1990s --- Published today, 1 May 2012 - By Andy Sennitt

"Media Network, which covered international broadcasting developments, recently ended a 30-year run on RNW. In a series of four articles, Andy Sennitt mentions some of the highlights, and then looks ahead to how international broadcasting might develop in the next ten years. Part Two: The 1990s." Full article here:
http://www.rnw.nl/english/article/media-network-years-1990s
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 17605, April 27 just as I tune in music, it cuts off the air at 2027*. Presumably RNW via VATICAN, which is supposed to run from 1800 to 1957, but has previously been heard as late at 2057*. // 15495 continues, opening a new English program at 2030. Bonaire is not scheduled to start 17605 until 2100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Junio: ˙ltimas emisiones de RNW en espaÒol

En la ˙ltima semana de junio ser·n las emisiones finales de
los programas de Radio Nederland en espaÒol. Como consecuencia de esto
el domingo 24 de junio, con repeticiÛn el martes 26 de junio sale al
aire por ˙ltima vez Cartas@RN. ProducciÛn de Sergio Acosta
http://www.rnw.nl/espanol/radioshow/cartasrn-rn-es-un-peque%C3%B1o-perfecto-mundo-multicultural
EmisiÛn domingo 29 de abril y martes 1 de mayo (via Horacio A. Nigro,
Montevideo, Uruguay, April 29, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. 15720, RNZI, 0323-0334, April 29. The Drama Hour with
ìNews Bombî dramatization; good (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA,
EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15720, Radio New Zealand Nat'l; 0348-0401+, 29-Apr; English drama
about WWII experiences; 0400 RNZN ID, "4 o'clock" TC into news; all in
English. SIO=433- with whine QRM (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at
Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged
by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Whine, like a het from 15721? That`s when the Russian numbers station
comes on, as I recently logged (gh, DXLD)

11725, 1855 30/4, Radio New Zealand Int. Reports in a Pacific
language, till 1858 then in English, good, few QRM from close
channels, later very good, at 1945 9+20 dB!

15720, 2007 30/4, Radio New Zealand Int. DRM: reports in English. Text
messages giving news. Perfect! (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia,
Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw
blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 15120, 1746 30/4, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu or Abuja? in
Arabic, reports, very good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia,
Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw
blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ikorodu is on-frequency, Abuja is off, to the lo side, altho not
reconfirmed lately as Abuja has been in DRM only(?) (gh, DXLD)

15120, May 1 at 0513, VON in AM with YL talking about Labour Day, big
hum. There was no signal when I checked earlier around 0445, as VON
normally is starting sign-on routine. If not late, maybe first hop
just got a sunrise boost (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, 1835 1/5, Voice of Nigeria, Abuja as reported in the text
message, DRM, English, politic reports, very good, SNR 25.8 dB
(Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Excalibur Pro, Elad

FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. GOODLUCK MERGING VOICE OF NIGERIA (INTERNATIONAL) AND FEDERAL RADIO CORPORATION OF NIGERIA (DOMESTIC). Posted: 27 Apr 2012

Daily Trust (Abuja), 25 Apr 2012, Gabriel Omonhinmin: "I have no option but to join in the on-going debate, whether or not, it is proper for VON [Voice of Nigeria] to be re-merged with FRCN [Federal Radio Corporation o Nigeria], twenty-two years after it was excised from the then National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC). ...

For the benefit of the general public, it is appropriate to clarify the mandate of both stations. The FRCN main focus is to feed its Nigerian audience with local news development whereas Voice of Nigeria's mandate is to broadcast the country's view points to the rest of the world. ... I am ... not saying that [VON's] function could no longer be carried out by VON if the organisation is eventually re-merged with FRCN. But one thing is certain; the station will never again be as effective in its primary assignment as it is now. Knowing the make-up of FRCN and VON, high level of intrigues, manipulation and fight for supremacy will be the other [sic] of the day. This will never in any way help neither stations nor the country."

Information Nigeria, 3 Apr 2012: "Almost a year after he introduced the transformation agenda, which implementation so far remains but unimpressive, there are strong indications that the Goodluck Jonathan administration is now set to do the right thing. ... The core elements of the new initiative as revealed to The Guardian are the overhaul of the countryís tertiary education system, scrapping or merging of agencies performing same or overlapping functions, and a significant cut down in budgetary allocation to current expenditure in favour of capital spending. ... [A government committee proposed] the Nigerian Television Authority (NTA), the Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria (FRCN) and the Voice of Nigeria (VON) may come under the umbrella of Nigerian Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) with a Director-General as it is with the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC)." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

The BBC, the Australia Broadcasting Corporation, and CNN demonstrate that there are synergies to be enjoyed when domestic and international broadcasting are conducted by the same organization.

Shortwave listeners in the US, even as far west as the Pacific coast, are hearing and decoding VON's new DRM digital shortwave transmissions. According to other listeners, some days the DRM transmissions are not on the air at all (Kim Andrew Elliott, ibid.)

** NORTH AMERICA. [Pirates]. 6925, X-FM, 0240-0310, rock music. IDs.

Email address. Shoutouts. Music by Devo, The Police, The Cars. Weak. Poor in noisy conditions. April 27.

6285, Undercover Radio, 0030-0050, Dr. Benway with radio-drama. Odd music. IDs. Email address. Very strong. April 29.

6924.3, Captain Morgan Shortwave, 0150-0200, blues music. ID. Fair to good. April 29.

6925 USB, Rave on Radio, 0040-0056*, music by Allman Brothers, Bob Dylan, and Johnny Cash. SSTV at 0044. ID at 0054 followed by more SSTV. Weak in noisy conditions. April 29.

6940 USB, Wolverine Radio, 0203-0220, oldies music of the 30ís-40ís. ID. Strong. Very good. April 29.

6949.86, WFMT - Family Radio, 2218-2235, dance music. IDs. Fair. April 28 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** NORTH AMERICA. 15070, April 28 at 1318, here`s Undercover Radio, on AM, at first very poor S2-S4 peaks, but by 1324 way up to S9+5 peaks; at 1331 Dr Benway wishes us happy new year 2007, e-mail and Merlin addresses for QSLs, ``pirate radio from the middle of nowhere``. I was listening on the breakfast table DX-390, fed on 88.1 FM by the WT601N Part 15 transmitter plugged into the FRG-7, only receiver which could get a decent signal from this, but went off at 1333*.

I figured that was the end of it, turned off the feeder, and finished my strawberries, and toast with home-grown apricot jam. 1353 rechecking the FRG-7, now he`s back on 15075 instead, and peaking S9+10, ID again with addresses, apologizes for being behind with QSLs for UR and Progressive Music Radio`s twentieth anniversary broadcast, but promises to get them out ASAP. But that was years ago already.

1355 starts a tale about visiting the Solomon Islands to dive, Gizo Island exactly, scraping a stinging coral, and he died --- or almost, as transported to a naval medical facility in Washington DC where he was saved by being downloaded to a biochip. All accompanied by mysterious music, Hearts-of-Space-like.

1406 ID, as the Memorial Weekend Broadcast for 2006, more relaxing narration with space music. 1410 warning about Commander Bunny taking over your mind and the world in his rodent revolution; Dr Benway issues hypnotic commands on how to cope. 1412 again offering QSL, undercoverradio @ mail.com (not gmail this time). 1413 starts another weird dreamlike narration about colonizing a new planet. 1420 message from the Cydonian Martians, the fourth planet to the third; still good signal but fading a bit. 1441 mentions Memorial weekend again,

offering QSLs and off at 1442:30*. Thence did not find him on 15250 or any other 19 m band frequency. (Still haven`t received a formal QSL for my last unique report of that, altho he did reply by e-mail) (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15075, USA (PIRATE), Undercover Radio. 1438-1442* April 28 and 1427-1432* April 29. The Doctor responded to my email moments after the 29th transmission. Dr. Benway describing a chupacabra encounter / attack / hospitalization (they are indeed nasty), mentioned this was a Memorial Day broadcast (presumably from a previous year), ID, gmail address, website for archived shows. Excellent signal and nice audio (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list): NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room random wire, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1580, April 30 at 1830, still at 1955 UT, KOKB Blackwell has once again crashed, carrier still on but no modulation, while sibling 1020, KOKB Perry is funxioning normally with stupid sports talk. 1580 still/again dead air at 1205 UT check May 1, but back on at 1728, both modulating musical break at the moment.

It`s really incredible that this station group, Triple [sic] Play Sports Radio, lets it happen again and again for hours or days at a time, no one paying attention, and obviously no one at the 1580 plant to do anything about it. O, for the good old days of KLTR 1580, a genuine local station in Blackwell (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 5660, April 26 at 1246 UT, weak signal from KGWA 960 Enid local, unmistakable voice of morning newsman ``J. Curtis Huckleberry``. As previously reported last May in DXLD 11-21, ``May 22 at 1155, very poor with talk at steady level, likely local external mixing product, audio soon found // 960 KGWA. But it`s not a plain harmonic; instead, KCRC 1390 x 2 = 2780 plus KGWA 960 x 3 = 2880 >> 5660. 2780 and 2880 are always there but not this combination. No KCRC audible on 5660, strangely enough`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 90.5, April 28 at 1855 UT, now there is a local signal, meaning I`m not going to hear XEDA or any other DX unless it is very strong. Yes, new KGVV Goltry (transmitter really closer at Carrier), with gospel music, 1903 ``My Praise FM`` joint ID with originator KLVV 88.7 Ponca City (which we can get anyway direct), not to mention the 98.5 translator inside Enid, which is no longer required, but still running // 90.5 and 88.7 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. 15265, 1804 30/4, Radio Pakistan, news in Urdu (as listed), ID, music and talks, good // 11575 (Giampiero Bernardini,

Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17520, April 30 at 1350, exotic S Asian vocal music, flutter and hum; 1400 one(?) time pip, muffled and distorted talk, presumably R. Pakistan Urdu service as scheduled 1330-1530, 250 kW, 282 degrees from Islamabad per HFCC [and colliding with Vatican in Urdu via Madagascar from 1410; what a coincidence!]. Aoki says 17520 is instead API-6 at 312 degrees. Noel Green replied to an earlier log:

``Yes, R. Pakistan is scheduled and heard on 17520 between 1330 and 1530 and is usually on top of VAT via MDC at my location in NW England, but often with strong QRM too. Aoki is correct in that it is listed as API-6, and EiBi too in that it is listed via 282 degrees in the PAK schedule. My understanding is that it is meant to reach N Africa, as well as other places within this azimuth, despite being listed as 'External Service for Gulf & M.E.' The parallel channel is API-5 via 15290 and at 282 minus 12 = 270 degrees (as shown). (Noel R. Green, England, April 11, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1612, DX LISTENING DIGEST)`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Pakistan Transmitter API 9, 100 kW --- Hi Glenn, I hope you are fine. With reference to dxld issue no 12-17 dated April 25, 2012, I have to verify that Radio Pakistan is using API-9, 100 kW transmitter for Azad Kashmir Radio Trarkhel (also known as Rawalpindi III). I monitored the broadcast from 1340 to 1350 UT on May 1, 2012 at 3975 khz.

The transmission of clandestine Radio Voice of Jammu Kashmir Freedom movement was also noted at 3995 during the same time, i.e. 1340-1350. The transmission for Voice of Jammu Kashmir freedom Movement was being carried out via a noisy transmitter, presumably API-3, while API 9 signal at 3975 was strong and clear. Noel Green assumption that API-9 is being used for Voice of Jammu Kashmir Freedom movement is not correct (Aslam Javaid, Lahore Pakistan, May 2, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST

** PAKISTAN. THIS IS RADIO PAKISTAN! - Amir Zia
http://www.thenews.com.pk/Todays-News-9-105413-This-is-Radio-Pakistan!

The institution, which announced Pakistanís birth and once nurtured the countryís top artists, writers and poets, today struggles for survival. Yes, the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC), or Radio Pakistan, as itís popularly known, is being subjected to a slow death. Lack of funds, flawed policies of the successive governments and a callous attitude of short-sighted officials ñ all have contributed to its current financial woes. If the Finance Ministry gurus manage to

have their way, Radio Pakistan will receive 2.2 billion rupees to run its show in fiscal 2012/13 (July-June). The allocated amount falls short to meet even the salary bill and pensions of its 3,200 current and 4,200 former employees or their spouses, which cost the institution around 3.8 billion rupees a year.

Moreover, the PBC will have no money to run the day-to-day expenses of its 30 broadcasting houses from where 64 frequency modulation (FM), medium- and short-wave radio stations are operated that not only reach Pakistanís remotest regions, but other parts of the world in 22 local and 11 foreign languages.

There will be no money available to meet PBCís operational expenses that include payments to its more than 4,000 contractual staff members, maintain its rickety old transmitters or buy oil for electricity generators to ensure transmissions during the frequent and prolonged power outages that plague the country.

Unlike the private-run FM stations, which are concentrated mostly in a handful of urban centres, the PBC-operated radio stations do not bank on pirated music 24/7. They provide news, current affairs shows, educational and social awareness programmes, along with whatever is left of Pakistani music and drama.

One can argue about the quality of content and suggest ways for improvement, but the PBC bosses have a case when they say that they need funds to keep this institution afloat.

In most parts of the world ñ from the United States to neighbouring India ñ radio stations are funded by public money or endowment funds. The reason: this institution is not just about airing commercial programmes all the time. It is seen as a public service institution, responsible to inform and educate people along with providing entertainment.

For instance, a private radio station will not air programmes for the small fifty thousand plus Wakhi community of Gilgit-Baltistan in their language because it would be commercially unviable. But the PBC does. The private sector will not run non-commercial community stations in rural areas including Turbat, Skardu, Mithi or Zhob. But the PBC does. There are such desolate regions in the country, where Radio Pakistan serves as the only connection with the rest of the country and the world.

The private sector operates, as it should, where there is money and profit. The state-run institutions have a bigger role and responsibility.

However, the nine revenue-earning FM stations of the PBC generate around 300 million rupees annually through advertising. The PBCís total share in the countryís radio advertisement is around 30 percent, which is not bad given the stiff competition it faces from more than 100 private stations that are saturated in urban centres and bank mostly on pirated Indian music to attract listeners.

The critics of PBC may rightly say that it remains a mouthpiece of every successive government. And that it is a meant for government and state propaganda ñ and that too is done in a crude manner. The argument carries weight and underlines the need to improve and revamp this important institution.

The PBC needs to be made more current, reliable, efficient, and technologically advanced so that it remains vibrant and keeps pace with the changing times. There is also a need to free the PBC as well as the Pakistan Television from the clutches of the Information Ministry and put them under a bipartisan control of parliament. But at the same time, they should also be freed from the influence of big businesses and the corporate world. These institutions must be pro-people and act in the larger public interest.

One can talk about many suggestions, but the PBCís current problem is that it needs sufficient fund-allocation to survive.

According to Murtaza Solangi, PBCís director general and perhaps the first working journalist who managed to reach its top slot, the institution faces an imminent closure if the Finance Ministry does not allocate at least 5.2 billion rupees for the next financial year. This is the minimum PBC needs to ensure payment of salaries, pensions and run its operations.

But given the fragile state of the countryís economy and its gnawing budget deficit, which according to the State Bank of Pakistan is likely to be around 6.5 percent in the current fiscal, the Finance Ministry appears to be in no mood to oblige the PBC.

The Information Ministry has already been informed about this meagre allocation. With Qamar Zaman Kaira back in the Information Ministry ësaddleí, will his weight matter where Firdous Aashiq Awanís failed to make a difference? This is perhaps a 5.2 billion rupees worth question for the PBC officials and its well-wishers.

To end PBCís financial troubles, the government should consider reviving the radio license fee which was scrapped in 1999 when Mian Mohammed Nawaz Sharif was in power. The Sharif government had also abolished PBCís tax-exemption status. Both the radio license fee and tax-exemption were part of the Constitution under the 1973 PBC Act

introduced by Zulfikar Ali Bhuttoís government.

For the Pakistan Peoplesí Party government perhaps this is the time to correct the wrong and save an institution, which has been connecting Pakistan and recording and telling its political, social and cultural history since 1947.

Pakistan and its people should not be left just at the mercy of sleazy pirated music, BBCs and All India Radios of this world. We need Pakistani narrative and voice on this medium. Who else, but the PBC can do this. Yes, despite its many short-comings, Radio Pakistan still matters. It not only evokes nostalgia, but remains a powerful medium of today which is stretching into the future. For, ìthis is Radio Pakistan!î

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(via Kevin Redding, TN, April 28, ABDX via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3204.9, Radio Sandaun, West Sepi[k], 0920-1000; 1055 pop music very strong 26 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

Also note with varying strength 3260, 3275 and 3325-, 1000 to 1045 on 26 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D - 746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** PERU. 3329.53, Per˙, Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco 1020 music and om with CHU notched. 21 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD)

4824.49, Per˙, La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos, good signal, 2330 on 23 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

4826.5, Per˙, Radio Sicuani, Sicuani, Cusco, 0000 strong on 24 April; 1000 good signal 23 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, with mystery DXer ``XM``, Cedar Key, S Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, NASWA yg via DXLD)

5460.21, Per˙, Radio BolÌvar, Cd. Bolivar, 0030 to 0040 with music, 26 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** PERU. 5120.005, 23.4 2300, Ondas del Sur Oriente with a call which I couldnít recognize. Again Henrik Klemetz came to help saying: Final words: "Èstas son las Informaciones por Radio Felicidad". You will

hear a "Radio Felicidad" in the beginning also, and "RPP Noticias". This station appears to relay Radio Felicidad which in turn adds short news where RPP performs as an own news source, because such is the RPP's status in the country.

Quillabamba, La ConvenciÛn, located in the jungle and it is not uncommon for stations in this area, relaying stations in Lima at different times. If you listen later at night you probably will hear a "real" call. /Henrik

When listening again on April 26 at 2358 a call like "R Cristal de Esmeralda" was heard, maybe relay of local news from Esmeralda de los Andes? (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

** PHILIPPINES. 11720, April 26 at 1832, no signal from V. of Philippines, unlike 24 hours earlier, as in 12-17 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, 1740 30/4, Radio Pilipinas, Tinang, in Tagalog and some English, reports, good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. 9890, May 2 at 1346, Chinesish language poor signal uncovered by RA vacating this frequency after a week, i.e. FEBC Bocaue, 1330-1400 in Yunnan dialect per Aoki, WRTH (ex-9465). Did FEBC complain to RA about this usurpation? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PORTUGAL. PORTUGAL CULMINA EL APAG”N DE LA TELEVISI”N ANAL”GICA
26 abril, 2012 - Portugal acabÛ este 26 de abril con la seÒal analÛgica televisiva despuÈs de 55 aÒos y pasÛ a transmitir en digital en todo el paÌs, donde, no obstante, se han registrado algunos problemas de instalaciÛn que el Gobierno espera superar en los prÛximos meses. . . FUENTE:
http://satcesc.com/web/2012/04/26/portugal-culmina-el-apagon-de-la-television-analogica/
(Via @yimbergaviria, DXLD)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. 9665, MOLDOVA, Voice of Russia, 4/24 0200. F and M with IDs, M into news. was // to Russia site before the hour, both equal signal level, but slightly out of sync. 73 and best wishes for Good Listening! (Rick Barton, El Mirage, AZ, S-77A, HQ-200, SP-600, Drake R-8, Slinky, l.w., NASWA yg via DXLD) Must mean Russia site on some other frequency (gh)

9665, Radio Pridnestrovie - Kishinev-Grigoriopol - MDA - Recebido

bonito eQSL com todos os dados confirmatÛrios. Pouco menos de 2 dias. V/S: Editorial staff of the Radio Pridnestrovie. Informe enviado por e-mail: radiopmr @ inbox.ru (Rubens Ferraz Pedroso; Bandeirantes - Paran· - Brasil). May 2, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** ROMANIA. 9510, IRRS, 0758-0815, tune-in to opening IRRS theme music. Opening English ID announcements at 0800 followed by English news at 0801. Poor in noisy conditions. Not able to make out many program details due to noisy conditions. Sat only. April 28 (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. DID YOU GET A SAINT GEORGE RIBBON?

Voice of Russia, 25 Apr 2012, Mikhail Aristov: "Muscovites can already see orange and black striped ribbons appearing on cars, posters and bags in the city streets ñ a sign that the St.George Ribbon public movement gathers momentum. Part of the campaign to mark the upcoming 67th anniversary of WWII victory, the St.George ribbon is especially popular among young people. ... The Voice of Russia has been taking part in the action since 2007. ëWe have already distributed orange-black ribbons among thousands of people from all across the globe,í says Sofya Berezhkova, the Voice of Russiaís coordinator of the project. 'Many of our listeners sent us appreciation letters where they also remembered about the events related to the Second World War, Berezhkova says. As for the 2012 St. George Ribbon campaign, we have already sent orange-black ribbons to our listeners in the United States, Canada, Britain, Poland, Bulgaria and some Latin American countries.'" (kimandreweliott.com via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. Voice of Russia changes of April 4 and May 1st.

A-12 Voice of Russia Moscow schedule
25 March-01 Sept / 02 Sept-27 Oct 2012. [in the two frequency columns]

Arabic
1600-1700 7305 7305 Krasnodar 100 NE / ME x7325

English
1600-1700 1503 1503 Dushanbe-TJK 500 Asia from 4 April
2100-2200 6155 6155 Kaliningrad 15 EUR 1st ch stream MIDI format DRM

French
1700-1800 11610 11610 Moscow 250 EUR ex12030, from April 4
1800-1900 11610 11610 Moscow 250 EUR ex12030, from April 4
1900-2100 6155 6155 Kaliningrad 15 EUR 2nd ch stream MIDI format DRM

Russian GR

1200-1300 5925 5925 Novosibirsk 250 Middle Asia, (CIS) from April 4
1300-1500 12015 12015 Samara 250 CeAsia (CIS) from April 4

additional Uzbek
1700-1800 1503 1503 Dushanbe 500 Middle Asia (CIS), amended on 04-Apr (Vadim Alexeyev, Russia, April 28, via wb, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 2 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 5930, R. Rossii, Monchegorsk. Russian talk with a short music break at 1011, 19/4. Fair level but scratchy, with splash from CNR5 on 5925. // 5940 was much better (Dennis Allen, Milperra NSW (Icom R75, Realistic DX-160, Longwire), May Australian DX News via DXLD)

Here we go again: Why in the world would you think you are getting this from mid-day in far NW corner of Russia, instead of the other 5930, Petropavlovsk/Kamchatskiy over a closer night path, like 5940 is? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** RUSSIA. PFC QSL card of GTRK "Buryatia" is shown in my HP
http://www5a.biglobe.ne.jp/~BCLSWL/QSL1205.html
(Takahito Akabayashi, Japan, May 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [non]. The USA --- Radio "Komsomolskaya Pravda" now and in America! From 25 April, the programs of radio "Komsomolskaya Pravda" are broadcast on medium wave (1110 AM) in the city of Sacramento, California, USA. This became possible thanks to cooperation with local partners of the "Komsomolskaya Pravda" media-holding "Afisha". They publish our newspaper, and also held the Russian-speaking radio station. Here is the BBC radio 2 hours per day given by the best programs of radio "Komsomolskaya Pravda". All in Sacramento population of about 200 thousand Russian-speaking population. (OnAir.ru via RusDX April 29 via DXLD)

K.P. is still around? That was the Commie youth organization. Wikipedia indicates it stopped circa 1991y: ``The Communist Union of Youth, usually known as Komsomol, a syllabic abbreviation from the Russian Kommunisticheskii Soyuz Molodyozhi, was the youth division of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.``

NRC AM Log 2011-2012 shows for 1110 in the Sacto area: KLIB, Roseville CA, address in Sacramento, 5000/500 watts, Spanish/ethnic, SILENT as of 4/2006! ``Radio Multicultural``.

Searching the IRCA archive on KLIB: reports of it ``back on the air`` in April 2007, --- but on the NRC Silent Station List as of May 2007. And nothing since March 2008 when Don Kaskey heard it in San Francisco.

FCC shows its license expires Dec 1, 2013, and it is not on the current Silent AM Station List (useful to bookmark) at http://transition.fcc.gov/mb/audio/newsite/docs/silentAM.html

Wikipedia says: ``The station was taken off air in April 2006.[2]

Companion AM Station KFSG-AM (1690 kHz) was licensed for operations in 2001 [1] as part of the FCC's expanded AM band program.[2] At the end of the 5 year period, the licensee (Way Broadcasting) would have to either discontinue operations in the expanded band or return the original license (KLIB in this case) and cease operations. The station went silent in 2006 and removed its directional phasing equipment to comply, but also filed a request to retain both licenses. On February 20, 2007, the FCC granted a temporary authority to resume operations using a lower power non-directional antenna pending the final disposition of the expanded band license issue.``

So can anyone confirm KLIB is really again back on the air now, and partly in Russian? And at what time? Doesn`t seem to have own website (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KLIB 1110 is on the air in Russian right now at 1709 PDT (Albert Lehr, Livermore, CA, May 4, ABDX via DXLD)

** RWANDA. 6055, 2056-2100* 30/4, Radio Rwanda (presumed), end of broadcast, song, off air abrupt without final ID. Good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Rwanda, 6055 Kigali. May 2, 2012. Wednesday. 1819-1845. Language unknown, a radio drama with OM and YL whispering to each other. At 1829 an American OM singing C&W song. ID at 1832 "This is Radio Rwanda" followed by news in english (mainly about Kigali till 1840, then regional to 1843). From 1844 back to unknown language and another (or part 2) radio drama. Good, strong signal, minimal fading, just slight atmospheric QRN. Jo'burg sunset 1537 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA. 9800, May 2 at 0526, DW English, which always has a good signal here aimed 295 degrees USward beyond W Africa, now suffers from frequent IADs, satellite program-feed problem? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAAR. INFORMAZIONI PROGRAMMA "MEZZ'ORA ITALIANA" TRASMESSO SU 1179 kHz

Ciao ! il programma esiste davvero.... l'amico Volker Willschrey,che vive vicino a Saarbruecken mi ha fornito i dettagli ricevuti via email dalla redazione di Antenne Saar.

Il Programma "MEZZ'ORA ITALIANA" Ë in onda alla Domenica alle 1000-1030 ora Italiana (0800-0830 UTC) sulla frequenza 1179 kHz di Antenne Saar, e viene ripetuto poi al Lunedi alle ore 1530-1600 ora Italiana (1330-1400 UTC) della trasmissione Ë disponibile il podcast al link
http://www.sr-online.de/antennesaar/2156/1411494.html
oppure http://sr-mediathek.sr-online.de/beitrag_Audio.php?id=11674

Nella WEB dicono che il programma Ë in onda dal 1961 !!!!!!! Il programma Ë bilingue Tedesco/Italiano ed Ë presentato da Wolfgang Korb al quale piace Fabrizio de AndrÈ e la musica popolare Campana.

Potete inviare il rapporto di ascolto compilando il formulario on line al link
http://www.sr-online.de/antennesaar/2156/1411494-empfehlung.html

oppure scrivere a:
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'AntenneSaar' "MEZZ'ORA IN ITALIANO"
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Sperando di avervi incuriosito ..... buon ascolto !
Dario

PS : la notizia senza dettagli (mancante dell'orario e frequenza e links) Ë apparsa sul sito di ITALRADIO ed era stata presa dal sito di Italiani nel mondo AISE
http://www.aise.it/italiani-nel-mondo/cgie-comites/107581-torna-in-onda-la-trasmissione-radiofonica-mezzora-italiana-la-soddisfazione-del-comites-di-saarbrucken.html
(Dario Monferini, Italy, May 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 17625, April 27 at 1310, Arabic here is humbuzzy, while stronger // 17615 is not; usual situation with BSKSA, both 500 kW Riyadh, 190 degrees on 17615, 100 degrees on 17625 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SENEGAL. 6535/USB, Dakar, Senegal ATC; 0320, 29-Apr; ATC working Swiss 92 hvy [?] calling Dakar-Dakar; both sides good (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5019.9, SIBC 0930 to 1030 seemingly no music, some

fades om long talk. Cuba low power; still not chance of second Per˙ signal behind 5025 Havana. 26 April (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD)

** SOMALIA [non]. Some BABCOCK changes:
Radio Damal The Voice of the Somali People in Somali again on SW from May 1
0400-0700 15700 DHA 250 kW / 205 deg EaAf, but no signal this morning
1830-1930 11740 WOF 300 kW / 122 deg EaAf, please check today evening
1930-2130 11650 DHA 250 kW / 205 deg EaAf, please check today evening

[update:] Radio Damal The Voice of the Somali People in Somali has changed start date from May 1 to May 8, according to latest BABCOCK schedule dated today May 1: [as above] (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, via DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. Radio Sonder Grense, 3320 Meyerton. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1733-1741. Afrikaans, radio drama. Good. But putting spurs on to 3295 and 3345.

Radio Sonder Grense, spur, 3295 Meyerton. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1733-1741. Afrikaans, radio drama. Jo'burg sunset 1539.

Radio Sonder Grense, spur, 3345 Meyerton. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1733-1741. Afrikaans, radio drama. Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3345 is a fundamental frequency from Meyerton at 1800-1830 for AWR in English, says HFCC. So I wonder if instead of being spurs out of 3320, the 3345 carrier is on early, and thus produces the leapfrog over 3320 on 3295. How do the modulation levels compare? Do you hear them at other times? What happens at 1800? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. USA. 9385, WWRB Manchester TN (presumed); 1921-1932+, 20-Apr; Non-B.S. New Testament huxter; mentioned the "Philadelphia Church Age" (no clue); "Analyzed" an Arabic word "fallujah" spelling it as "fallujay" and interpreted it in English as "fall you ya", meaning you will fall if you don't believe. Wonder what Rev. Barbie's take on this would be? At 1929+ abruptly broke into a promo by B.S. for a trailer home ready for occupancy at his SC compound. Back to non-B.S. at 1930+. SIO=534- with hiss QRM & fady. About 1 second behind // 9980 WWCR(presumed), S20. If there's any B.S., is it automatically The Overcomer Ministry? (Frodge-MI)

9385, WWRB Manchester TN; 2148-2201+, 24-Apr; Undecided programming? Tuned in to W singing and obviously sitting on a sharp object, into

M singing in monotone; 2152 abruptly into Alexander Scourby? reading the New Testament; 2156 abruptly into B.S., the Last Days Prophet of God. Brief call/QTH ID at ToH & back to B.S. SIO=554- (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9400, Overcomer Ministry via Yerevan. Fair strength signal degraded by atmospherics. Presentation of religious dogma in English. Program directed to western Europe, 2050, 22/4 (Charles Jones, Castle Hill NSW (Sony 2001D with 7m vertical antenna), May Australian DX News via DXLD) See also ARMENIA

15190, Saturday April 28 at 1455 very poor, Brother Scare via IRRS via ROMANIA, and maybe with CCI from R. Africa, but off at 1458. At 1459 I am hearing a JBA signal on 15700, presumably the Saturday-only prolongation of BS for another bihour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, Overcomer Ministry via IRRS; 1358...1500*, 29-Apr; B.S. with addy; 1400 right into non-B.S. huxter. SIO=342+ with hiss. 1457 recheck found Overcomer B.S. SIO=2+52+ After s/off, nothing else detected. (Frodge-MI2)

[that was a Sunday, and the Santec weekly at 1500-1530 has been reported canceled --- gh]

15190, Overcomer Ministry via IRRS; 1415, 28-Apr; B.S. SIO=2+42+ with whirr QRM & echo; No other audio QRM detected. Not //B.S. on 9385 WWRB(p) or 9980 WWCR(p) which were // (Frodge-MI2)

15700, Overcomer Ministry via IRRS; 1617, 28-Apr; B.S. Poor. Not // B.S. on 15420 WBCQ(p), 9980 WWTW(p), or 9385 WWRB(p). (Frodge-MI2)

(Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

They might have been // but up to 30 sex out of synch. It seems BS is allowing other psychophants to occupy more of his airtime lately; running out of steam? Surely not out of recordings (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** SRI LANKA [and non]. 9770, Voice of Turkey, Emirler. Spanish with DX program rumbling with carrier of SLBC at 0125 on 1/4 followed by playing the National Anthem of Sri Lanka. Seems SLBC is on odd frequency? (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 17635, April 29 at 1312, YL with prayer in English, amens, into another language, Vietnamese? No, Cambodian, per Aoki, AWR via Trincomalee, 125 kW, 65 degrees, at 1300-1400 mixing Malay, Cambodian, Laotian, and Thai depending on which half-hour and which day of week. This is one of those temporary substitutes for KSDA while in partial maintenance, schedule effective until June 30 only; so don`t delay if you want to QSL this station/site (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15490, AWR Trincomalee, *1200-1216 May 1, Chinese; IS & usual AWR Voice of Hope ID; same in Chinesne and another English ID announcement with URL and mention of "..following program is in Mandarin"; W announcer between music bits until ballad at 1202; W announcer from 1206 with talk thru tune/out; fair at s/on, fading by t/out (Scott R. Barbour Jr. Intervale, N.H. USA, NRD-545, MLB-1, 200' Beverages, 60m dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15490, very poor May 1 at 1230, AWR.org English announcement, introducing Mandarin. Scheduled as 12-13 Chinese-Mandarin, 125 kW, 45 degrees from Trincomalee until June 30 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA [and non]. PHILIPPINES/SRI LANKA Re 15180 SPLIT 13-14 UT.

1300-1330 15180#TRM 250 kW 045 deg Mon-Sat EaAS BVB Japanese, new
1300-1400 15180#TRM 250 kW 045 deg Sunday EaAS BVB Japanese, new

strong co-ch VOA from Tinang Philippines in Korean, which replaced by

15775 kHz 1200-1500 44NE PHT 250 21 Korean PHL IBB now from April 28. BVB Japanese from TRM keeps still on 15180 kHz. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also USA: VOA

15180 kHz is not Japanese. TRM carries Voice of Wilderness in Korean at 1300-1330; signal is good (S. Hasegawa, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. 15725, April 26 at 1832, no signal from V. of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio, exactly one week after the first and only time it had been reported, nor in the next two hours. Later several others found it on 15650, as late as 2233, says Mauno Ritola, Finland, carrier plus USB. He found it back on 15725 from *0358, and S. Hasegawa, Japan reports 15725 AM at *0600-0820* April 27 with many English programs unlike 15650 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CLANDESTINE. 15650, Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio, 2140-

2310*, suppressed carrier USB. Vernacular talk. Local African tribal music. Occasional English ID announcements. Strong but slightly distorted audio. April 26 (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

UNID on 15650 kHz Noted by a Japanese Dxer. Any ideas?
http://youtu.be/yo7vlKjQVuw
73 de CX2ABP (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, April 26, dxldyg via DXLD)

I can receive it by USB strongly now. It seems to be service for Sudan. ID as "Idaat al xxxx Sudan" in Arabic. Partially English and local language (S. Hasegawa, Japan, 2117 UT April 26, ibid.)

Another video from the same source with English announcement:
http://youtu.be/c7uYArFCprY
73 de CX2ABP (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, ibid.)

DFS up the file of the English announcement at 2100 UT. English wants DXer of the native to hear it.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c7uYArFCprY&feature=youtu.be
(S. Hasegawa, Japan, ibid.)

Still on air at 2215 UT, strong here like S=8 in Europe too.
Signal characteristic on Perseus browser looks rather USB portion, depressed lower sideband. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

DFS is delivering it in USTREAM.
http://www.ustream.tv/channel/sw-vhf-dx
The cottage and antenna park for DX of DFS have a very low noise.
(S. Hasegawa, ibid.)

Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio. Still going on at 2233 on 15650 kHz AM/USB. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

0600-0820 UT on Apr. 27 was able to receive Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio on 15725 kHz-AM. There were many English programs unlike 15650 kHz.
http://www.ric.hi-ho.ne.jp/in_hiroshi/k/voss-20120427-0715_15725.mp3
de Hiroshi (S. Hasegawa, ibid.)

S/on actually at 0358. 73, (Mauno Ritola, ibid.)

VenerdÏ 27 aprile 2012, 1459 - 15550 (USB?) kHz, VOICE OF SOUTH SUDAN - Tx? VV/EE, canti, IDs OM *registrati* e s/off alle 1509. Segnale buono-sufficiente. Stesso tipo di emissione - ma non identificata - l'avevo sentita tra le 0500 e le 0600 mescolata a Radio Pakistan su 15725 kHz (Luca Botto Fiora, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia PLAYDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

Not to be confused with WJHR, also USB only, but surely sounding very different (gh, DXLD)

15650 and 15725, following other reports of V. of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio being heard on these frequencies April 26-27, I look for them at various times April 27-28, but nothing heard: April 27 at 2010, 2108; April 28 after 0500, 0528. Catch as catch can, not only for DXers but Sudanese (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SUDAN [non] or PAKISTAN? 15725, 0512-0551, 4/28/2012. Checking this frequency for either Radio Pakistan or the Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio per Glenn Hauser's reports. Found a signal with talk by a man and a woman and occasional very short drum music bridges. Signal was weak with deep fades, below the noise approximately 50% of the time. Both the audio (which wasn't very crisp) and the carrier disappeared after 0551. Could not determine the language, but it was not Arabic (Pakistan lists Urdu, probably Sudanese if the Voice of South Sudan). (Jim Evans, Germantown, TN, RX-340, IC-R75, ALA100M Loop, Random Wire (90'), NASWA yg via DXLD)

15725, Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio, April 29. Mauno Ritola (Finland) has reported this with 0358 sign on. Tuned in 0403 to African music; 0405: ID as reported by others: ìThe Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio stands for freedom, justice, equality, and human rightsî; OM in vernacular with some musical bridges till tuned out 0421; poor to very poor with heavy QRM from 15720, so best in USB. MP3 audio
http://www.box.com/s/3ea263862057c1e59ea6
Sorry I was not recording when ID given in English, but on my audio check just after the music, at 0:35, for what sounds like ìSouth Sudan Radioî.

Checked again at 0501 to find weak signal, but no QRM; OM talking in English with many mentions of ìSudanî and ìSouth Sudanî; too weak to make out much; 0504 marching band music; into vernacular till 0511 tune out (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Ron, I was listening April 29 from 0445 on 15725, and caught a full ID in English, as in attached audio clip. It's a little quiet, but can definitely make out "This is the Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio at 20 seconds in.
http://www.mediafire.com/?brvooggngknke0f
(Alan Roe (Teddington, UK), ibid.)

15725, April 29 at 0519, poor signal on AM in assertive Arabish speech. 0528 as I was switching receivers and antennas, bit of music and change to English so I missed ID if any, weakening and lost to the

noise by 0535. Presumably new clandestine Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio as others have reported around this hour.

Meanwhile I compared to other African signals on 19m: at 0520, 15400 Dabanga via Madagascar, fair and better than 15725; 15580, VOA Botswana poor and worse than 15725. These were on indoor `long` wire due to storms in our area.

15725, April 30 at 0414, poor signal in Arabish, ``salaam aleikum``, heavy ACI from 15720 NZ, presumed V. of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio. Beware of R. Pakistan also on 15725 at 05-07 in Urdu, but might include some English. Aoki now shows VOSSRR at 04-07. NZ is supposed to quit 15720 at 0458 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio in Sudanese Arabic: 0405-0620 on 15725 May 1 very weak. From 0500 blocked by R. Pakistan in Urdu 1830-1930 on 15725 check on April 25-30. Nothing! UNIDentified transmitter! (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** SUDAN [non]. GREAT BRITAIN: 17745, Sudan Radio Service; 1622-1633+, 28-Apr; M in LL [unknown language, lingo; not Latin or Lingala or ???] with "SRS" ID at 1629+; commentary plus chanting with drums & flutes. SIO=3+54- peaks with near complete wash-outs (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND. 15360-, April 27 at 1412, S Asian music in TWR Manzini`s only unAfrican service, Urdu at 1400-1415, definitely on the lo side. I had not noticed since there is nothing to het it, but Wolfgang B¸schel measured it 346 Hz low, April 19 on 15359.654 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TATARSTAN [non]. 15110, Tatarstan Wave/GTRK Tatarstan, via Samara, 0422-0459*, April 29. Program mostly of music and dramatic readings; segment with children; seemed to be in Tatar, not Russian; ID before going off a few seconds before 0500; almost fair. Musical selections very nice! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKS & CAICOS. See CUBA: 530

** UKRAINE. 11980, Radio Dnestr Wave, Ukraine. 8/4 0600-0700 with tiny signal relayed Home State Service of Ukrainian Radio 0600-0655 and own program with ID in Ukrainian and in Russian at 0657 giving the addresses feat [sic] radiodh @ rumbler.ru

DW in Ukrainian is Radio Dnieprovskaya Khv u / I lia or / Khvuilia/. The capital in Russian and in Ukrainian consisting of turned upside down letter P and letter I is spelling between U and I in English (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Sony ICF2001D and Folded Marconi ant 16 m long, May Australian DX News via DXLD)

** U A E. Some BABCOCK changes:
Radio Taiwan International:
1900-2000 NF 13620 DHA 250 kW / 315 deg to WeEu, ex 15360 in French

WYFR Family Radio:
1400-1500 NF 15520 DHA 250 kW / 105 deg to SoAs, ex 9595 in Marathi
1400-1500 NF 9595 DHA 250 kW / 090 deg to SoAs, ex 15520 in Hindi
(DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** U K. 9915, May 2 at 0524, BBCWS in Arabic, G signal S9+22 but with Saudi-style big buzz and with BFO engaged, carrier is wobbling rapidly, not what you would expect from Woofferton or Skelton, both of which are registered by BaBcoCk in HFCC for this hour; or did they really mean that Woofferton replaced Skelton on April 14? WOF is 140 degrees, close to directly off the back from here, vs SKN 180 degrees. Not the first time we have heard this terrible defect on 9915, and seemed to worsen later in the hour: see April 13 report in DXLD 12-16. Cyprus is also in use for BBC Arabic 9915 at 03-04 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. UK on Shortwave --- An hour-by-hour guide to shortwave broadcasts from UK transmitter sites. Updated April 2012. DOWNLOAD:
http://homepage.ntlworld.com/bdxcuk/uksw.pdf
(Via @yimbergaviria, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

Nothing but Woofferton and Skelton remain; including relays, but are there still any secret `veiled` ones? (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. VOA SITE TO BE REDEDICATED
   The Daily Reflector, By Ginger Livingston, April 30, 2012
http://www.reflector.com/news/voa-site-be-rededicated-1046177

A Voice of America site once scheduled for closure has not only been saved but will be rededicated Wednesday in a ceremony featuring the son of broadcasting pioneer Edward R. Murrow.

Voice of America Site B, located 15 miles east of Greenville outside of Grimesland, was named for the legendary broadcaster when it opened in 1963. Murrowís name was removed from the building as part of security measures taken after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Murrowís name will be returned during a 10 a.m. ceremony being held at the site, 3919 VOA Site B Road. The event is open to the public, and tours of the facility will be available after the ceremony.

The event will feature Murrowís son, Casey; Richard M. Lobo, director of the International Broadcasting Bureau, which oversees Voice of America; Victor Ashe, member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors; and U.S. Rep. Walter B. Jones Jr., R-N.C. Itís being held in advance of World Press Freedom Day on Friday.

The Broadcasting Board of Governors announced in February 2010 it wanted to close VOA Site B so it could save about $3.1 million annually and focus on upgrading its satellite, digital and other broadcasting technologies.

The site B location broadcasts via short-wave radio to Cuba, the Caribbean and South America. In the past it also has broadcast to West Africa. [also: in the present! gh]

Jones and U.S. Rep. G.K. Butterfield, D-N.C., worked to stop the closure, aided by another member of the North Carolina delegation, Democrat David Price.

The closure never came because Congress had difficulties finalizing its 2010-11 budget and funding was included in continuation budgets. The broadcasting board notified Jones in January 2011 that the administration wouldnít pursue the siteís closure.

By that time Victor Ashe, former mayor of Knoxville, Tenn., and former ambassador to Poland, joined the broadcasting board and toured the VOA Site B facility. Ashe said he was impressed by the facilityís staff members and their dedication to the organizationís mission. ìWe believe free and honest information is a prelude and a foundation of a democratic society,î Ashe said.

Like other proponents of the site, Ashe said itís important to keep VOA Site B operating because itís the only short-wave Voice of America facility operating under U.S. jurisdiction. Other short-wave locations can be shut down at the insistence of its host nation.

Other methods of broadcasting ó radio, television, the Internet and social media ó can be cut off or blocked (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)(and via Yimber Gaviria, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. GOOD EVENING NON-TRANSITIONING STATES. WE PRESENT THIS WEEK'S EDITION OF MANY-TO-MANY DELIBERATION. Posted: 29 Apr 2012

Journal of Public Deliberation, Volume 8 (2012), Issue 1, Shawn M.

Powers and William Youmans, "A New Purpose for International Broadcasting: Subsidizing Deliberative Technologies in Non-transitioning States." Excerpts...

"In countries where internet access is insufficient, can international broadcasters provide a special forum for many-to-many deliberation? International broadcasters have access via television and radio to many places where internet access is non-existent or where state controls limit dissent. Can they re-define new missions using non-traditional Internet technologies, such as mobile phones, in combination with the powers of broadcast to facilitate deliberation and information flows where they are currently poor? ...

"In November 2011, months after popular uprisings in Tunisia and Egypt and amidst ongoing political ferment in Bahrain and Syria, VOA launched the Middle East Voices (MEV) portal (middleeastvoices.com). Distinct from the U.S. government financed Middle East Broadcasting Network (MBN), the portal is exclusively online and its goals explicitly deliberative. ...

Speaking to the unique need for state- supported projects in transitioning and repressive states, [MEV managing editor Davin] Hutchins (2012) argued: 'Our goal is our public diplomacy, which is different than the goal of The New York Times. We want to make sure that the exchange of ideas and ideals is taking place, despite challenging circumstances, where freedom of expression is lacking. We also want to make sure the ideas and ideals that are germinating in the public sphere are made public and accessible to English speaking audiences. These are not the goals of privately run news organizations, but our site and the VOA takes them seriously.'"

The goal of the audience, however, is to obtain the type of reliable and comprehensive news not available in their own countries, but available from independent outlets such as the the New York Times, if not from the Voice of America. If US international broadcasting conflates journalism and public diplomacy, the results will disappoint.

The proposal for international broadcasting to "facilitate deliberation" is interesting. It's not actually a new role. Over the decades, international broadcasters, through their mailbag programs, have solicited and broadcast listener comments, which begat other, contrasting listener comments.

A more recent version of audience participation was VOA's "Talk to America," a daily call-in program that began in 1994. That show recently was discontinued, perhaps a victim of internet-based media overtaking the telephone as medium of choice of choice for

"deliberation." The BBC's "World Have Your Say" carries on, however.

Perhaps a more important BBC forum is the Doha Debates, chaired by former BBC correspondent Tim Sebastan, and broadcast eight times a year by BBC World News television. In fact, the Doha Debates have been flattered by imitation, including Deutsche Welle's "The New Arab Debates," also moderated by the rather busy Tim Sebastian, and the BBC Africa Debate.

All of this shows that a trusted international broadcaster can be an effective moderator of discourse. It must be seen as an authoritative but neutral player. The BBC has been unambiguous in its commitment to independent journalism. US international broadcasting, whose new mission statement has jettisoned "accurate and reliable news," may not instill such confidence.

Furthermore, the BBC's stature is enhanced by being one of the world's most famous brands. USIB is a confusing confederation of "many brands." The VOA sub-brand has had a good reputation in the Middle East, but it has been fading from memory since VOA ceded its Arabic Service to the new Rado Sawa in 2002. In any case, Middle East Voices understates its association with VOA, presenting itself as yet another brand of USIB.

Moderating debate can open a can of worms. From the Middle East, much public opinion will consist of pointed opposition to Isaeli and US policies. Yes, the anti-semitic dreck must be eliminated, but if input that is opposed to US and Israeli polices is also snipped, a pro-US bias will be apparent. If the natural flow of opinion from the Middle East is unabated, an anti-US bias will emerge -- much to the displeasure of Congress. The facilitation of deliberation may be a no-win situation.

The 7,070 "likes" of the Middle East Voices Facebook page is to be compared with the weekly audience of 33.4 million for BBC Arabic radio and television. To be sure, MEV's likes and followers will grow, but at present the score is Old Purpose 33,400,000, New Purpose 7,070. New Purpose has some serious catch-up ball to play.

New Purpose may be the outcome of the new IBB mission statement, in which "connect" has been given equal billing with "inform." But does international broadcasting really need a new purpose? There is still plenty of work to be done in Western international broadcasting's original purpose. There are still many countries that do not enjoy independent journalism. Western international broadcasting provides accurate and reliable news, and finds ways to get that content into countries that try their best to keep it out. This is the unique function of international broadcasting. In terms of attracting

audiences, it is the haymaker.

Yes, encourage audience, or "citizen," input, and use it if warranted, but do not let it become the tail that wags the dog. If US international broadcasting tries to become the latest popular social media app, it will find itself lost, forever, in the crowd.
(Kim Andrew Elliott, ibid.)

** U S A [and non]. US DIPLOMAT AND AUTHOR DISCUSSES US INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING AND ITS COMPETITION. Posted: 27 Apr 2012

Huffington Post, 24 Apr 2012, Peter Van Buren, US diplomat and author of We Meant Well: How I Helped Lose the Battle for the Hearts and Minds of the Iraqi People, as interviewed by John Brown: "Credibility is the key. If you look at the very successful penetrations of American society by foreign 'public affairs,' you see sources of news and entertainment that are clearly allied with a foreign entity (China Xinhua News, RT.com, al Jazeera, the BBC) and do not try to hide that fact.

Yet, at the same time, they are aggressive in presenting a side of news that is missing in America's mainstream media, often pointing out the 'other side' to a story or not shying away from reporting U.S. Government mistakes and misjudgments. Their credibility comes not from being pro-Russia, but from tapping into a need in the U.S. for alternative news sources. People are too sophisticated now, even in the developing world, to be reached via crude propaganda -- America=Good, al Qaeda=Bad. That costs those sources their credibility and thus their audiences.

Who cares what U.S. broadcasting into the Arab world has to say, or crap like Radio MartÌ? Most of the time it is just self-referential: Obama made a speech and PD says 'Here's Obama's Speech' in case you missed it elsewhere or really want to plod through 1500 words on Earth Day. No one independently quotes their opinions, no one considers them vital or important the way al Jazeera became simply by filling a real gap in what people wanted to hear. If the U.S. would try and learn a bit more about what people want, they might find a more ready audience. Instead, our 'public diplomacy' programming seems designed more to please our bosses in Washington than to really reach people abroad." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

-- In English-language global television, the real US competitor to the Xinhua, RT, Al Jazeera, and BBC mentioned by Mr. Van Buren is not any BBG entity, but CNN International, which he did not discuss (Kim Andrew Elliott, ibid.)

** U S A [non]. 15725, April 26 at 1413, very poor signal with music,

but presumably R. Aap ki Dunyaa, via KUWAIT, scheduled 14-15. // 11880 via Philippines is blocked by REE COSTA RICA, (except on Saturdays). The VOA Urdu service, WRTH reminds us, was rebranded 8 years ago --- so it seems ``less American, more Pakistani``? Tho still produced in the VOA studios. I was looking for it after seeing this shocking story at the AFGE Local 1812 website about how mistreated a Pakistani journalist has been, just trying to do her job, vs the bosses who require kowtowing to Pakistan:

``Agency Abuse of J-1 Visa``, is currently the top story at
http://www.afge1812.org/Index.cfm
leading to:
http://www.afge1812.org/SaveStory.cfm?newID=190
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 15730, April 26, fair at 1300, VOA jingle in English, into language presumed listed Somali, 13-14, 250 kW due north from MADAGASCAR. See also KOREA NORTH [non]

15470, April 28 at 1417-1419 open carrier with some hum, maybe JBM or atop scheduled BBC Hindi via Cyprus; no tones heard, but presumably a Greenvile transmitter testing to be sure it`s ready for later use, i.e. English at 16-17, 94 degrees, which per HFCC started April 4 (unfortunately I didn`t uplook this till later, but it`s supposed to be daily; which programming?)

17530, April 30 at 1309-1310:10* open carrier on and off and on, no doubt VOA Greenville testing transmitter well prior to 1700 Portuguese.

I have also heard 15470 doing the same, and found that English is now scheduled from Greenville at 16-17: checked at 1628 April 30, excellent signal off the back concluding `New Dynamic English`, reference to http://dyned.com --- obviously a private company contractor.

1630, opening ``30 minutes of Spe-cial Eng-lish, news and info, Technology Report and This Is America``, after the news with Bob Doty in Washington, until 1640-1645 TR and 1645+ TIA.

15775, April 30 at 1250, VOA Korean on new frequency ex-15180 where it was colliding with SRI LANKA, Aoki now showing that as V. of Wilderness, also in Korean at 1300-1330 Mon-Sat, 1300-1400 Sundays, an MBR client, due northeast from Trincomalee. Ivo Ivanov had listed this on same schedule in Japanese.

15180 does have a poor signal in Korean talk, April 30 at 1306, gospel-sounding music. V. of Wilderness is run by Cornerstone

Ministry, in Tustin, California; so not primarily a political clandestine.

15775, VOA Korean programming had bits of classical music interspersed with narration, and clips in English ``Hitler is dead``, probably BBC in 1945y, and ``fall of Saigon``. 1300 into news, breaking for news-ID in English at 1302.

Aoki now shows VOA Korean on 15775 at 12-15, 21 degrees from TINIAN, the USward antenna accounting for very good signal here, tho with lite flutter. Trouble is, until 1257 or so there is CCI from something in Chinese --- what else but ChiCom jamming, probably CNR1, due to Sound of Hope via Tajikistan on 15775 at 1300-1330, per Aoki, but subject to jumparounds in time and frequency. IBB really needs to coordinate better with SOH.

15775, May 1 at 1229, VOA Korean via TINIAN without any CCCCCI [ChiCom Chinese co-channel interference], unlike yesterday, when it probably landed here on a wild SOH chase (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 15660, 15615 and 17855 in decreasing order of strength, April 30 at 0530, ``Palladio`` diamond theme music that R. Free Asia plays reliably, Chinese talk. Sites are Tinian, Tinian, Saipan, respectively (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. IBB A-12 schedule, 64 changes update April 28. [BOTSWANA/GERMANY/KUWAIT/MADAGASCAR/MARIANA ISL-Tinian-Saipan/ PHILIPPINES/SAO TOME/SRI LANKA/THAILAND/UAE/VATICAN STATE]

delete 5885 0030-0200 R.Farda Biblis 100 105 Persian ME
5895 1600-1800 RFA Tinian 500 321 Mandarin Chn ex 5855
delete 5970 0230-0330 VOA Biblis 100 088 Persian ME
delete 6045 0500-0530 VOA Pinheira 100 020 Various Afr
new time 6100 0400-0430 VOA Pinheira 100 100 Kinyarw/Kirunda EAf

new time 7265 0330-0400 VOA Pinheira 100 100 Kinyarw/Kirunda EAf
delete 7465 1400-1500 RFA Udornthani 250 324 Vietnamese? SEA
delete 7475 1400-1500 RFA Iranawila 250 73 Vietnamese? SEA

9400 1500-1600 VOA Lampertheim 100 075 Azerbaijan Cau
9400 1600-1700 VOA Lampertheim 100 075 Georgian Cau
delete 9435 1600-1700 VOA Biblis 100 085 Georgian Cau
9490 1630-1700 VOA Nauen 50 150 Sudan.English MO-FR EAf x9675
delete 9520 0400-0700 RFE/RL Lampertheim 100 075 Russian Rus
add 9610 1300-1400 VOA Tinian 250 305 English Chn
delete 9675 1630-1700 VOA Nauen 125 150 Sudan.English MO-FR EAf
new 9675 1630-1700 VOA Nauen 125 105 Various AFG

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delete 9760 1300-1400 VOA Tinian      250   305 English    SA-SU Chn
9780 1600-1700 VOA Tinang           250     315 Pashtun       AfgSAs
9790 1600-1700 RFE/RL  Biblis       100     085 Tajik            CAs
delete 9795 1900-2100 RFE/RL  Tinang   250  021 Russian          Rus
delete 9800 1700-1800 VOA Pinheira     100  335 Portuguese       Afr
delete 9800 1800-1830 VOA Botswana     100  350 Portuguese MO-FR Afr
add 9825 1700-1800 VOA Pinheira     100     335 Portuguese       Afr
add 9825 1800-1830 VOA Botswana     100     350 Portuguese       Afr
delete 9830 1500-1600 RFE/RL  Lampertheim  100 075 Turkmen       CAs
9850 1700-1800 VOA Biblis                  100 105 Kurdish        ME

add 11565 1330-1430 VOA Iranawila          250 073 Khmer         SEA
delete 11595 1400-1500 RFA Kuwait          250  78 Vietnamese?   SEA
delete 11640 1700-1800 VOA Biblis          100 105 Kurdish        ME
delete 11665 1800-1830 Sawa Pinheira    100 052 Sudan.for Darfur Afr
delete 11730 1400-1500 RFE/RL  Biblis      100 085 Turkmen       CAs
11740 1800-1830 Sawa SMGaleria   250 146 Sudan.for Darfur EAf x11745
11780 1500-1530 RFE/RL  Udornthani ex-LAM  250 321 Kyrghiz       CAs
11795 1700-1800 VOA SMGaleria              250 184 English       Afr
11905 1730-1800 VOA Kuwait exNauen     250  185 Afan Oromo MO-FR EAf
11905 1800-1900 VOA Kuwait exNauen     250  185 Amharic          EAf
11905 1900-1930 VOA UAE                250  225 Tigrigna   MO-FR EAf
11925 1730-1800 VOA Nauen ex-Iranawila 250  140 Afan Oromo MO-FR EAf
delete 11970 0700-0730 VOA MDG         250  305 Hausa            Afr
delete 12015 1700-1800 VOA SMGaleria   250  184 English          Afr
new time 12025 1400-1600 RFE/RL Biblis 100  088 Turkmen          Rus
delete 12030 1300-1400 VOA SMGaleria   250  139 Somali           EAf

13570 1600-1700 VOA Botswana           100  350 English          Afr
13570 1800-1900 VOA Wertachtal         250  150 Amharic          EAf
delete 13585 1200-1500 VOA Tinang      250  330 Korean           Kor
13610 1700-1800 VOA Lampertheim        100  108 Kurdish          ME
13680 0100-0200 RFE/RL  Udornthani     250  311 Tajik            CAs
13680 1700-1730 VOA Kuwait             250  185 Somali           EAf
13680 1730-1800 VOA Iranawila          250  263 Somali           EAf
13715 1800-1830 Sawa Pinheira          100  052 Sudan.for Darfur EAf
delete 13760 0100-0200 RFE/RL Udornthani 250 311 Tajik           CAs

15240 1400-1600 RFE/RL  Wertachtal     250  075 Turkmen  CAs ex15650
15360 1500-1530 RFE/RL  Lampertheim    100  080 Kyrghiz       CAs/ME
15410 1600-1700 RFE/RL  Wertachtal     250  075 Turkmen  CAs ex15650
15470 1600-1700 VOA Greenville         500  094 English          Afr
delete 15650 1400-1500 RFE/RL Wertachtal 250 075 Turkmen         CAs
delete 15650 1500-1700 RFE/RL Wertachtal 250 075 Turkmen         CAs
15680 1330-1430 RFE/RL  Lampertheim    100   92 Pashto           Afg
15680 1430-1500 VOA Lampertheim        100   92 Dari             Afg
15775 1200-1500 VOA Tinang             250 021 Korean    Kor ex15180
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17650 1300-1400 VOA SMGaleria 250 139 Somali EAf ex12030
17875 0700-0730 VOA MDG 250 305 Hausa Afr ex11970
17895 1730-1800 VOA Greenville 250 094 English Afr
21595 0300-0400 RFA Tinian 250 313 Mandarin Chn
(Wolfgang B¸schel, April 28, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 2 via DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. New Frequency changes of IBB:
Radio Free Asia
1600-1800 5895 TIN 250 kW / 321 deg, ex 5855 in Mandarin

Radio Liberty
0100-0200 13680 UDO 250 kW / 311 deg, ex 13760 in Tajik
1400-1600 15240 WER 250 kW / 075 deg, ex 15650 in Turkmen
1600-1700 15410 WER 250 kW / 075 deg, ex 15650 in Turkmen

Voice of America
1200-1500 15775 PHT 250 kW / 021 deg, ex 15180 in Korean, re-ex 13585
1300-1400 9610 TIN 250 kW / 305 deg, add.freq in English Sat/Sun
1400-1500 11595 KWT 250 kW / 078 deg, add.freq in Tibetan not Chinese!
1630-1700 9490 NAU 250 kW / 150 deg, ex 9675 in English Mon-Fri*
1700-1800 11795 SMG 250 kW / 184 deg, ex 12015 in English
1700-1800 9825 SAO 100 kW / 335 deg, ex 9800 in Portuguese
1730-1800 11905 IRA 250 kW / 279 deg, ex 11925 in Afan Oromo Mon-Fri
1730-1800 11925 NAU 250 kW / 140 deg, ex 11905 in Afan Oromo Mon-Fri
1800-1830 9825 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg, ex 9800 in Portuguese Mon-Fri
1800-1830 11740 SMG 250 kW / 146 deg, ex 11745 in Arabic-Afia Darfur
1800-1830 13715 SAO 100 kW / 052 deg, ex 11665 in Arabic-Afia Darfur
* South Sudan in Focus (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit:
<swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** U S A. 5110.8, WBCQ Monticello ME; 0154-0250+, 28-Apr; Glenn Hauser's World of Radio #1614; 0202 WBCQ ID into Jean Shepherd Show from 1962 till 0247, right into Area 51 without ID. S30 peaks, very weak audio detectable during pauses--studio bleed? (Frodge-MI2)

9330.2, WBCQ Monticello ME (presumed); 2352, 27-Apr; Fred Flintstone Music Show; R-rated version of Starry Night by Iggy Pop. S30; putting out spurs on approx. +/- 34 kHz (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1614 monitoring: presumed first airing, UT Thursday April 26 at 0330 on WRMI 9955 bears nothing but wall-of-noise jamming; tnx a lot, Arnie! Further WRMI repeats are: Sat 0800, 1500, 1730; Sun 0800, 1530, 1730; Mon 0500, 1130. Also on WRN via SiriusXM 120 Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830. And:

Thu 2100 on WTWW 9479; UT Fri 0330v on WWRB 5050; UT Sat 0130v on WBCQ

Area 51 5110v-CUSB/LSB; UT Sun 0400 on WTWW 5755.

WORLD OF RADIO 1614 monitoring: confirmed first audible airing Thursday April 26 at 2100 on VG WTWW 9479. Also at 0330 UT Friday April 27 on WWRB 5050. Next: UT Saturday 0130v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB/LSB. On WRMI 9955: Sat 0800, 1500, 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730, Mon 0500, 1130. On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830.

WORLD OF RADIO 1614 monitoring: UT Saturday April 28 at 0130 on WBCQ 5110v-CUSB/LSB, unconfirmed, as I was recovering from mowing, but on this week`s Area 51 schedule as 0130. Don`t know how long AWWW ran either, or what preceded 0130, but International Radio Report not mentioned this week, as last week it was a `special` about RCI.

9955, April 28 at 1503, gh voice is JBA from WRMI, seems more `jamming` from a bubbling household cable DTV converter box than from Cuba. Remaining times on WRMI: Sat 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730, Mon 0500, 1130.

On WTWW: UT Sunday 0400 on 5755. On HLR Germany: Tuesday 0930 on 5980.

WORLD OF RADIO 1614 monitoring: confirmed with very good signal on WTWW 5755, UT Sunday April 29 at 0400. Remaining WRMI 9955 airings: Sunday 1530, 1730, Monday 0500, 1130.

WORLD OF RADIO 1614 monitoring: 9955, WRMI broadcast at 0500 UT Monday confirmed closing at 0528 mixing with pulsing jamming, more or less readable depending on how each is fading independently (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9330-CUSB, April 26 at 1248, open carrier/dead air from WBCQ. Left a receiver on this until finally cut on modulation at 1317:50; I wonder if Radio 211 was silent all night? Bible quiz at 1326, or was that scribbled 1320.

9330-CUSB, April 30 at 0538, dead air, open carrier from WBCQ. When modulating Good Friends Radio Network, it`s often quite loud into the night now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 15550, WJHR Milton FL (presumed); 2057-2103+, 23-Apr; Gasping English Jeezus huxter; morphed his huxterage into a story about Lyndon Johnson's official White House portrait. No ToH break. USB, SIO=3+54- tinny audio (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. [google translation] I have tried many times but to no avail

and, indeed, had almost waived. "Almost", because a few nights ago, just before 2200, with the trusty PL-660 - that SSB is also unbeatable compared to apparatuses older, sophisticated and expensive - I tune in on 15550 kHz and feel a very weak signal with a man who speaks English. He was a USB signal, In fact, AM did not feel anything, then closed at 2202. Very could probably be 1 kW from Milton-FL, but was not identified, at least in content.

Tonight, Monday, April 30, I thought to try again, after I turned off the TV at about 2115 and, with the help dell'MFJ1026 to delete an electronic buzz coming not from my home, from 2125 started recording. The signal with good peaks at around 2140 to 2145, was certainly USB, the language of English and religious content at 100%, with many references to "United States", closing again at 2202. Nothing more I demand, as well as for Radio Candip, so the databases are clear: a certain times, in some languages there are certain things, and * only * ones.

2125, 15550 USB, tent. WJHR - Milton-FL (USA) Sufficient signal-poor.

Curiosity. If Google Satellite Maps * type * Milton Florida Oak Manor Drive 520 [sic] and enlarged to the maximum you'll see from a villa by the gray roof and right from the wood tick the Yagi with many elements of safe is the antenna of WJHR (Luca Botto Fiora, G.C. 09E13 - 44N21, Rapallo (Genova) - Italia, playdx yg via DXLD)

Re: and count the antenna elements
JHR 5920 kHz Oak Manor Drive, Milton FL 32570, USA
12 antenna elements of 4 Jan 2012
30 39 03.16 N 87 05 21.50 W
(Wolfgang Bueschel, April 17, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 25 via DXLD)

5920? WJHR has always been on 15550-USB. Maybe you were thinking of defunct WBOH which was always on 5920 (gh, DXLD)

5920 is the house number instead, not kHz !
click http://g.co/maps/3faz7
(Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I can`t see it, as often the case with satellite imagery. I save a lot of time and trouble by leaving this to those who can (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 17510, WHRI Cypress Creek SC; 2133-2159:47*, 22-Apr; Australia DX Report to 2148 Pirating With Cumbre with Chris Lobdell. ID with call & QTH at 2159 & off abruptly. All in English. SIO=353- Aoki 4/17 missed this one (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. NOTE: No robo-kids on KJES heard at any times over the weekend (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2 April 28-29; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST) You mean it was on the air with somethings elses, or not on the air at all? (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. Frequency change of WEWN in English to SEAs from April 17: 1300-1500 NF 15615 EWN 250 kW / 355 deg, ex 15610 on April 16, re-ex 9390 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, please visit: <swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com> 1 May 2012, via DXLD)

** U S A. 15825, April 26 at 1328, WWCR-1 is VG, obviously boosted by HF sporadic-E opening, rather than normal very poor. With BFO I hunt for the 15.6 kHz spurs either side, but cannot hear them, so maybe really suppressed. By 1413, 15825 has faded to only S9+10 and lessening (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 15715, April 28 at 1457, tonal SE Asian language with reverb, poor signal, mentions kHz several times, Burmese? AWR then mentioned and its theme; 1500 Voice of Hope ID but noticeably weaker. That may be because according to HFCC, at 1500, KSDA GUAM 100 kW 285 degrees in Burmese, turns the frequency over to the substitute thru June Trincomalee, SRI LANKA, site, 125 kW, 60 degrees in Karen. Meanwhile, may we assume that the conflicting A-12 HFCC entry for YFR, 500 kW, 90 degrees via Wertachtal at 14-16 in Sinhala and Kannada, is inoperative? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 9585, Christian Science Monitor via Wertachtal. Clear signal at good level subject to some fading. Program to Russia in Russian on azimuth favourable for Australia 1842, 15/4 (Charles Jones, Castle Hill NSW (Sony 2001D with 7m vertical antenna), May Australian DX News via DXLD)

It`s Christian Science *Sentinel*, which means wacky religious programming, rather than Monitor, the late lamented news service equivalent to the newspaper (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. Perhaps you have heard, but Family Radio is selling WFME in New Jerseyork.<g> The mystery is to whom, because all of the major station owners in the area are already "maxed out" as to number of stations they can own in the area (George Thurman, (Houston, TX), April 27, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 580 WIBW REVAMPS RADIO LINEUP [Topeka KS]
http://cjonline.com/news/2012-04-28/580-wibw-revamps-radio-lineup

New shows highlighting NEK, more local programming debut Monday

Posted: April 28, 2012 - 4:18pm

Here is a look at 580 WIBW Radio's new weekday programming lineup, which begins Monday:

* Midnight to 4 a.m., "Coast To Coast"
* 4 to 5 a.m., "Wall Street Journal This Morning"
* 5 to 7 a.m., "Morning Agriculture Roundup"
* 7 to 9 a.m., "NewsDay AM"
* 9 to 11 a.m., "Kansas Live" with Roger Heaton and Jamie Slack
* 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., "The Mike Huckabee Show"
* 2 to 4 p.m., "On the Other Hand" with Megan Mosack
* 4 to 6 p.m., "Sports Talk" with Jake Lebahn and Mark Elliott
* 6 to 9 p.m., Mark Levin
* 9 p.m. to midnight, "The Phil Hendrie Show"

By Corey Jones
THE CAPITAL-JOURNAL

580 WIBW Radio's new weekday programming lineup will feature a stronger local flavor when it hits the airwaves Monday, including the launch of a show focused on touting all that is good within northeast Kansas and the state.

"Kansas Live" with Roger Heaton and Jamie Slack will debut Monday in what will be its scheduled time slot from 9 to 11 a.m.

"It will be unlike any shows that we've ever had on the air before," said program director Keith Montgomery. "Kansas Live" is just one of several alterations made to the station's lineup that Montgomery hopes will bolster its programs with locally based content rather than syndication.

Other notable changes to the lineup are:

* "NewsDay AM" is expanded to two hours from one.

* "On the Other Hand" with Megan Mosack drops to two hours from three and moves into the 2 to 4 p.m. time slot.

* Glenn Beck has been dropped in favor of "The Mike Huckabee Show."

* Jake Lebahn and Mark Elliott will team up for "Sports Talk" from 4 to 6 p.m., rather than the two personalities airing on back-to-back, two-hour time slots.

Montgomery said Slack and Heaton will be a fine tandem for "Kansas Live." He said Heaton is an "excellent air personality" with long-

standing knowledge of the area. Slack, he said, has "the gift of gab" and an already popular evening show on The Big 94.5 Country.

The two teamed up previously as fill-ins on a show for about a week, possibly foreshadowing what the pair could develop into on a new show. "We were just pretty impressed with the job that they did during that week and how well they got along," Montgomery said.

Larry Riggins, the station's general manager, said the personalities of Slack and Heaton are different, which are ingredients for a fun show. The program will be an outlet to draw attention to and discuss community events, Riggins said, and point out why northeast Kansas and the state are great places to live.

"It should be a good experience for everybody," he said. "It's going to have great information on it, and the personality angle of it should just be fantastic."

Mosack, now the only host of "On the Other Hand," will be in front of the microphone for an hour less each day as the program moves to an afternoon time slot. Montgomery said they want the show to be "hard-punching and really concise." He said it was dropped to two hours because of the difficulties in filling a three-hour block as a solo host.

"We feel it's a great anchor for the afternoon shows," Riggins said. "It's had great ratings and has always been very, very strong for us."

"Sports Talk" with Lebahn and Elliott combines the two hosts rather than having them on air separately. Riggins said the show will be "hard-hitting and fast-paced."

Montgomery said "Sports Talk" will stay on air until the beginning of sporting events the station airs in the evening hours.

Riggins and Montgomery hope the changes attract a more diverse demographic from the station's bread-and-butter audience of 25- to 44-year-old males, while also delivering more local content.

"It really is just a way of expanding what WIBW does and what it can bring to listeners out there and to help bring more audience to the station," Riggins said (via Blaine Thompson, IN, ABDX via DXLD)

Even better afternoon programming would be to bring back PUBLIC RADIO, abandoned from 580 via KSAC/KKSU, with which WIBW used to share time. I`ll bet WIBW never even considered that, unable to think outside of the stunted commercial radio box (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. My local KCEG-780 Fountain (Pueblo) CO is apparently now 24 hour, noted on at 2 AM Sunday morning MDT and it sure didn't sound like any testing.? Still no live announcers but very regular ID's, had one that sound "Your favorite classic country hits, day and night, here at The Ranch".? They are 1900 w. days, 700 w. nights, directional north/south.? Very distinct format on 780.? Their studios are in Pueblo on Thatcher Street, xmtr north of Pueblo along east side of I-25, 6 tower array.? They had been running a 6 AM-10 PM schedule (approximate) but look to appear to be 24 hour (at least on the weekend). 73 (Bob Wien, Colorado Springs, CO, April 29, IRCA via DXLD)

New member here. Many of you may recognize me from other groups. I mostly DX MW BCB but I also DX LW BCB and NDBs. Anyway,

I am picking KCEG up here in Lakewood (Denver area) and their signal is pretty crummy on the radio in my Jeep. I have not had time to listen on my DX setup but the signal sounds like I am receiving splatter from a strong adjacent station, which in Denver area there is not one for 20 kHz or more, away (760 KKZN). I have only heard them in the late afternoon around 4 pm local time. I have yet to hear them in the mornings on my way to work (7 am) or midday.

They definitely seem to be beyond testing. I have heard the same ads for the diner in Denver and the church in Lakewood. Here is my best reception of KCEG to date - Note the splatter-sounding noise: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ABDX/files/Kugellager%27s%20Stuff/

Re: 890 KJME. The FCC now lists a request to remain silent for technical reasons so I am not sure if/when they may broadcast again. I would like to try for them when they are up. Cheers, (John];'), Lakewood, Colorado, Hammarlund SP-600 JX-37, Rycom 1307A-GR w/W1VLF, LPF, 30' Low-noise vertical, 26' vertical on 35' mast, 12' helical wound vertical on 15' mast, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 1050 NYC now an FM simulcast (for now) --- Just in case anyone hasn't heard the big news out of New York City yet, at midnight ESPN began leasing WRKS (98.7) from Emmis. From now until September, 98.7 is simulcasting ESPN Radio with WEPN 1050, and at least based on the first half-hour, ALL the on-air mentions are "98.7."

In September, ESPN will flip WEPN 1050 to ESPN Deportes Spanish-language sports talk; but from now until then, if you hear "98.7" amidst the sports talk on 1050, it's WEPN, which should make it a little easier to distinguish from the "TSN Radio" sports talk also on 1050 via Toronto's CHUM. s (Scott Fybush, Rochester NY, 30 April, IRCA mailing list via DXLD)

I've been keeping up with this for several days. Emmis allowed the

people at WRKS to say good-by to their listeners. As you know, this doesn't take place when a station changes format or is sold. How long does the lease or LMA last? (Larry Stoler, April 30, NRC-AM via DXLD)

The current deal is for 12 years, through August 2024 (Fybush, ibid.)

Thanks, Scott. This lease runs longer than the one Disney negotiated with the New York Times Company in the late 90s for WQEW so they could put Radio Disney on a 50,000 watt signal in New York. That lease ran for eight years and then Disney bought the license. This should be interesting (Larry Stoler, ibid.)

** U S A. 1070, April 26 before 1230 UT, KLIO Wichita KS is still duplicating talkshow from KQAM 1480, joint ID in passing, but at 1239 recheck, now back to music, local talkover at 1243 with time & temp, True Oldies 1070 slogan; see also 1660 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1110, re 12-17: KVTT used to be on FM at 91.7 in Dallas. They sold out to KERA (North Texas Public Broadcasting) and they used that money to buy the AM station now carrying the calls. The FM became KKXT (or KXT as it is locally called). I think that the KVTT owners still own KVRK-FM 89.7 in Sanger (ID as Sanger-Dallas-Fort Worth, studios actually in Dallas), a Christian Rock station (David R Block, TX, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The strange thing is, that KVTT (FM) was a Christian station, but they let KVTT (AM) be Pakistani, so not Christian? Or stealth Christian? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. 1110, KLIB, California: see RUSSIA [non]

** U S A. 1220, May 1 at 1222 UT, ID for ``Hometown Radio, AM 1220, KOMC, 24 hours a day``. Hmmm, is that a new call for Oklahoma, Midwest City? Makes sense, but no, it`s really Branson MO and soon faded (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1290, April 26 at 1220 UT, traffic report including street numbers in the 100s, so not a small city, from ``K-car``, get it? KKAR Omaha NE. 5/5 kW station has CP for 50/5, says NRC AM Log (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1440, April 26 at 1226 UT, Radio Luz program promo in Spanish. Must be KTNO The Metroplex, TX, no longer Radio Vida. Website is under reconstruxion, http://www.ktnoam.com/ There are only three dentroMexicans on this frequency, none nearby (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1450, May 1 at 1210 UT, end of news from the Missouri Network, then to local news and ads, but never could copy any clue before it faded from dominance over hundreds of other 1450s; well, maybe dozens audible here. I was hoping the affiliate list at
http://www.missourinet.com/radio-stations/
updated 2/17/12, would have only one on 1450, but there are two:
KIRX in Kirxville, and
KOKO in Warrensburg --- Likely the latter which is closer (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DGIEST)

** U S A. 1580, April 26 at 1230 UT in KOKB OK null, ``RCN News``, about Denver, announced as duplicated on 1060 Longmont, so it`s KREL Colorado Springs on the Radio Colorado Network. Just went to 10 kW day power, ex-140 W night, at 1230 in April, 1145 UT in May. KLMO 1060 is the originator (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1660, April 26 at 1232 UT, True Oldies jingle, ``Baby-Love``. We no longer have to wonder which ESPN station we are hearing or echoing on 1660, just TX, as KQWB West Fargo ND has flipped to this. And came in handy since KLIO 1070 Wichita KS was still duplicating talkshow from KQAM 1480 during previous semihour, altho by 1239 KQWB has faded, and KLIO is back to music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. RIKA 94.9 --- > There is a vehicle parked on town (Hazleton, PA) which has graphics on it for a radio station RIKA 94.9. It is red and may be a Kia Soul or a similar vehicle. I have to get a better look at it later or tomorrow. Does anyone know of a radio station on 94.9 using the name of RIKA? I suspect it is a Latin format station. I didn't see which state the license plate was on the car either (Bob Seaman, Hazleton, PA, April 28, WTFDA via DXLD)

I checked the car and it is a red Kia Soul, PA license plate HHZ-8498. The rear of the car has the "RIKA 94.9 FM" logo and the side of the car has "ACTIVA FM" "Tu tienes el control" "NY, NY". The car was in town from Friday evening until Sunday afternoon. I saw the car again on Tuesday (Bob Seaman, May 1, ibid.)

A Google search for that goes to Bronx NY (Mike Hawkins, ibid.)

Yup, looks like it is a NYC pirate
http://www.tuactivafm.com/
When you click on the facebook link, it mentions RIKA FM (Jeff Lehmann, - N1ZZN, Hanson, MA FN42NB, Sangean HDT-1X, Yamaha T-85, Perseus FM+, APS-13, ibid.)

I hear this station at my QTH in Brooklyn, NY (David Goren, ibid.)

** U S A. ATLANTAíS GREATEST HITS 106.7 TO BECOME AN ALL NEWS STATION
http://blogs.ajc.com/radio-tv-talk/2012/04/27/cumulus-hires-several-former-cnn-radio-staffers-whats-happening/
(via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. Studio location requirement? Aren't radio stations supposed to maintain a main studio with 25 miles of the city of license? Are there (legal) exceptions to this? I ask because KABG 98.5 FM is licensed to the town where I live, Los Alamos, NM, but the studio is 100 miles away in Albuquerque... ñ (Mike Westfall, Los Alamos, NM,
http://www.facebook.com/mesamike
My MWDX stuff: http://mesamike.org/radio/mwdx
Online logbooks: http://dxlogbook.gentoo.net
Reception Report & QSL Manager for KRSN, ABDX via DXLD)

There are indeed exceptions. The rule says 25 miles from the center of the COL, *or* at any location within the city-grade service contour of that station or of ANY station licensed to the same COL.

Since the city-grade contour of WFAN 660 in New York extends all the way east along Long Island Sound to New London, Connecticut, 120 miles or so east of Manhattan, any station licensed to New York City (even a tiny one like WHCR 90.3 in Harlem) could legally maintain its main studio in New London.

In the case of KABG, the city-grade signal from its huge class C (100 kW/1906') signal more than covers its ABQ studio location. s (Scott Fybush, NY, ibid.)

** U S A. 7213, May 1 at 1357, some ham keeps switching between AM and SSB during single transmission --- no, he`s not. Some other ham keeps switching a zero-beat AM carrier on and off vs the SSB station. Many short exchanges, skipping IDs, but finally caught WO9A with a K9-something, agreeing to QSY to 7290, but it was already occupied. ARRL FCC lookup shows: SCHAFER, THEODORE L, WO9A, 55654 Springdale Ct., Osceola, IN 46561 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) That`s O the letter, not zero the number

** U S A. 161.95 MHz, FLORIDA, Sea Tow, Pinellas Point, (St Petersburg). 1526 UT April 28, 2012. Thanks D. Crawford tip, who was hearing from the opposite side of the state. This is VHF channel 27, a Sea Tow ìradio checkî play channel. If you key in and speak, such as ìRadio check, radio check [vessel name]î it auto-responds with your message recorded and played back, followed by an automated female ID that includes a reference to the Pinellas Point transmitting site (somewhere just before the Sunshine Skyway Bridge approach) and brief Sea Tow promo. It took a few tries and from outside on my VHF handheld to get it to catch due to my distance.

Florida Low Power Radio Stations:
https://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/florida-low-power-radio-stations
(Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list):
NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room
random wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. 11720, 2300 1/5, Voice of Vietnam 1, Hanoi, time pips, ID,
news in Vietnamese (presumed), weak (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano,
Italia, Drake R-4C, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, dxldyg via
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. Overseas Service of Voice of Vietnam - New Mailing Address

Overseas Service (Ban Bien Tap Doi Ngoai) of Voice of Vietnam (Dai
Tieng Noi Viet Nam) has now the different mailing address from the
domestic service.

Overseas Service: 45 Ba Trieu Street, Hanoi
   Tel: +84 8 257 870 Fax: +84 8 266 707
   E-mail: btdn.vov @ hn.vnn.vn

Domestic Service: 58 Quan Su Street, Hanoi

"45 Ba Trieu" is located at 500m south from Lake Hoan Kiem in Hanoi,
while "58 Quan Su" is at 800m west. It takes about 15 minutes walk
between the 2 buildings. "Ba Trieu" is the name of Vietnamese
legendary heroine who took up against the Chinese (Han) domination
2000 years ago. "Quan Su" means "ambassador" - the guest house for
foreign ambassadors was located nearby in the 15th century (Takahito
Akabayashi, Japan, April 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. 8294-USB, Vietnam Coast Radio Stations (VISHIPEL) on
April 26 with marine weather. Ho Chi Minh Radio, *1305-1313*.
Different YLs in Vietnamese; today with no English. Distinctive phone
tones at start and end; // 7906-USB (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach,
CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Attempts with no joy on 7906u and 8294u, Vietnam Coast Radio Stations.
Thanks Ron Howard for assistance (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South
Florida, NRD 535D -746Pro - R8 - Sony 2010XA, NASWA yg via DXLD) No
date, as of late April

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. 1550 kHz Radio Sahara (via location in
Algeria) is coming in quite well tonight here in Germany at 2138 UT
with local singing. [is ``Radio Sahara`` the ID heard now?? --- gh]

A couple of weeks ago I listened to them when I was on Gran Canaria.

Around this time of the day they had a program in three different languages: Arabic, Spanish and English. I think it was a kind of quiz for people learning languages in the refugee camps during the night.

A pity they are not active on shortwave any more; I really enjoyed listening to their program. Especially their modernized type of local music. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, April 28, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** ZAMBIA. 5915, ZNBC (tentative); 0405-0412+, 28-Apr; 2M in unknown language with discussion and tunes; mentioned Zambia. SIO=432+, LSB [sic] helps with 5910 Alcaravan R splash (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ZNBC 1, 5915 Lusaka. May 1, 2012. Tuesday. 1806-1816. News in English, // ZNBC 2 on 6165. Followed by three attempts at "This news is brought to you by ??? Ltd" (not a name I recognise, but apparently a company that supplies roofing materials). ID at 1812 "ZNBC". Programme then continues in Khasonke (Tuesdays only), but ID at 1815 "Zambia National Broadcasting Corporation, Radio One". Good. Jo'burg sunset 1538.

ZNBC 2, 6165 Lusaka. May 1, 2012. Tuesday. 1806-1810. News in English, // ZNBC 1 on 5915. Generally good, slight warbly het, presumably Chad. Jo'burg sunset 1538 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. 11735.00, 1650-2000, TZA, 25+26+28.04, Voice of Tanzania, Zanzibar, Swahili/English. Has been off the air, since the seacable was damaged in Dec 2009, but came back on the air this week! Swahili talks, Afropop, muslim music, except for English news daily at 1800-1806: drum IS, 6 pips timesignal, "2100 East African Time. News from Tanzania Broadcasting Corporation, first the Headlines" 45444. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, on my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres longwire in Skovlunde, Denmark, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

11735, April 26 at 1832 still trying to get R. Tanzania Zanzibar: nothing audible; by 1858 there is a JBA carrier; at 1958 a very poor signal; 2050 JBA carrier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Se apaga Transmundial y entra Radio Tanzania como caÒonazo: 11735, 2000 UT (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, April 26, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Seems the only co-channel challenger on 11735, R. Transmundial in Brasil, he says signs off at 2000, an hour earlier than Zanzibar --- not that we can hear much from either one of them (gh, OK, DXLD)

Re the comment by Dave of BDXC. The 0300 transmission on 6015 was most definitely IDing as "Radio Tanzania Zanzibar" right up until they went off-air in September 2011.

Reception of 6015 has been very poor for the past couple of days, but on April 25 I am sure I heard "(Something) Tanzania Zanzibar" at 0341, whilst on April 26 at 0416 I am sure I heard "Radio Tanzania (something)" which I assumed was "Zanzibar". My ears could have been playing tricks, but I do not think so. Could it be that the 0300 broadcast on 6015 is aimed at the local (Tanzanian) audience, whilst the 1800 transmission on 11735 is aimed at a more international audience? I used to get 6015 far better than I am at present (extremely poor this morning, completely gone by 0320); I wonder if they haven't reduced their transmitter power?

Incidentally, I have not been logging the 11735 broadcasts from 1800, but they have been audible here, at least for the last two nights. Very poor and noisy, quite unreadable in Jo'burg, best described as a "junk" signal here. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, April 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Bill, What you probably would have heard is ìSauti ya Tanzania Zanzibarî (which means ìVoice of Tanzania Zanzibarî). The English ID is now Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation but Iím not sure how that name is announced in Swahili. Regards (Dave Kenny, England, ibid.)

Dear Dave, Announced it by the program of Swahili on 11735 kHz that I received with "ZBC Radio" (S. Hasegawa, Japan, ibid.)

I think I saw years ago somewhere explanation for Radio Tanzania Zanzibar using 11735. It was beamed to Persian Gulf for the Zanzibarians working there. 73, (Jari Savolainen, Finland, ibid.)

That may be, but FWIW, Aoki shows it as non-direxional, not beamed. Could be merely a default assumption lacking real data as in other entries. Not in HFCC, of course, and EiBi does not get into azimuths, nor does WRTH, unfortunately, but saves a lot of space/number type (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6015, R Tanzania Zanzibar, 0253, April 27, carrier appeared, could not detect any warming-up tone or IS but pips noted at TOH. Then female announcer and into Qur'an recitation to 0307 tune-out. Only bits & pieces audible in LSB; if only superpower CRI on 6020 would shut up one day! Had first heard them tentatively on April 25 but did not report this because I only heard an unID carrier until I later found out from Bill Bingham's observations that this was actually the day of their reactivation here (Martien Groot, Schoorl, Netherlands (TenTec RX-340, 25m. longwire), dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11735, Zanzibar Broadcasting Corp, 2045-2100*, local Middle-Eastern

style music. Swahili talk. No National Anthem tonight at sign off. Fair to good. April 27 (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Jari and Dave, thanks for your feedback. Early morning propagation in southern Africa will hopefully pick up soon, so I can have another crack at getting a proper id on 6015. It`s almost unreadable at present. 11735 was a bit better at 1830 last night. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, 0811 UT April 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Tanzania Zanzibar, 11735, began fading in here to audibility at about 1940 today. Steadily improving, many nice musical selections. Presumed news at 2055, followed by very brief announcement by female anncr then carrier dropped at 2058. Using the Drake R8B and 200' W-E wire. April 28 (Steve Lare, Holland, MI, USA, ibid.)

11735, Radio Tanzania Zanzibar. 2017-2058* April 28, 2012. Clear and fairly decent signal with highlife vocals, Swahili female announcer between most songs, RTZ ID 2058 and abruptly off. Was hoping it would have stayed on through top of hour, news and anthem as in the past activation days. Maybe someone was just a little too quick to pull the plug today (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater, FL (highly abridged equipment list): NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75 and Sangean PR-D5; 1 X roof dipole, 1 X room random wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

TANZANIA, 11735, Zanzibar B.C. (tentative); 2051-2058:29*, 28-Apr; Tuned in to Afro tune then brief ME-style bumper; W in LL & M sounded Arabish mentioning Dar es Salaam & back to W in LL at s/off. SIO=453 till 2057 when coarse buzz QRM came up (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6015, Radio Tanzania Zanzibar, *0257-0318, April 29. Suddenly on with very faintly heard repetitive IS; pips; 0302 Qurían till 0307; OM with monologue; usual format; poor (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11735, 1828-1840 29/4, Zanzibar BC, mute carrier, good signal over 9. Technical problems?

11735, 1940 30/4, Zanzibar BC, Tanzania, songs & talks, in Swahili, good (Giampiero Bernardini, Milano, Italia, Drake R-4C, Collins 51S-1, Excalibur Pro, Elad FDM-S1, ant: T2FD, sw blog: http://radiodxsw.blogspot.it/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Listening to African music and occasional Swahili announcements from Zanzibar on 11735 as I am finishing off this column 1648 May 1, S9 fading up to S9+15db on the S metre, clear channel and good audio. No

interference from other stations (Mike Barraclough, England, May WDXC Contact via DXLD)

TANZANIA, Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation, Voice of Tanzania in Swahili back on SW from April 23. Good signal in BUL on absolutely CLEAR freq. 11735 1500-2100. English news 1800-1810, confirmed on Apr. 27-30! Start time vary: Apr.27 1456-1602 & 1756-2100; Apr. 28 1630-2100, day by day different times.
0300-0600 on 6015 confirmed this morning May 1, but very, very poor signal! (DX RE MIX NEWS # 727, 1 May 2012, via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. South Africa. SW Radio Africa, 4880 Meyerton. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1811-1816. Shona. OM interviewing others, apparently by telephone. Mentioned ZANU PF twice and "need change now" in English. Fair-poor. Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. Botswana. VOA relay, 4930 Selebi-Phikwe. April 30, 2012. Monday. 1816-1824. "Studio Seven". Two OM's talking about the Bill Gates Foundation and Zimbabwe. Aoki and Eibi say it is English, but it is not - sounds like Shona to me, not Ndebele. ID at 1821 "Studio Seven for Zimbabwe". Fair. Jo'burg sunset 1539 (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. MADAGASCAR: 9870, Zimbabwe Community Radio; 0400, 28-Apr; All in LL except English sked at 0401+. SIO=4+22+ in AM, LSB cuts out hiss QRM centering about 9871--jammer? (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, DXing at Port Hope MI2; Drake R8B + 400 ft. unterminated east bev, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1140, April 28 at 0553 UT, gospel huxter in Spanish, good signal from N/S, surely XEMR 50/50 kW, Monterrey NL? Others have reported this as ``MR Deportes`` as listed in WRTH, IRCA and Cant˙ i.e. a sports format, but whenever I hear it, there`s religion. Maybe both, like KFXY 1640 Enid? The station website via
http://www.gruporadioalegria.com/
mentions nothing but sports, and no program schedule.

Could I really be getting a US station? I always thought it was XEMR. Prime suspect in the NRC AM Log is KHFX, Cleburne TX near The Metroplex, but with a Houston address, 24 hour Spanish religion as ``Radio Ato``, 5000/710 watts. Pattern book shows its main lobe is to the NW, which would audiblize it here, while XEMR`s is a circle tangent to Monterrey, ``everything`` going to its SW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1320, April 26 at 1224 UT, Spanish from N/S, 7:24 TC, kids` birthdays. Accent maybe border-influenced rather than pure Mexican, so likely XECPN Piedras Negras, Coahuila; the only other possibility around here in NRC AM Log is KRDD Roswell NM. Soon with Chinese CCI, no doubt KXYZ Houston TX, which NRC AM Log says is SS/ETHnic; but it`s in Chinese whenever I hear it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1340, May 1 at 1218 UT, Bill Bennett, `Morning in America`, with BB himself delivering commercial for C. Crane radios. This was looping E/W, so doubt it was OKC, but what? Show website makes you search by `your` zip code for affiliates. None in 741 = Tulsa, but 737 Enid leads to 731 = OKC, KEBC.

Trouble is, there is no such station any more, having converted to KGHM, ``The Game`` months ago. BB sure is out of touch with his own network, just as he is with political reality in the XXI century (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. Hi Glenn, China ?? Station ?? 5895, Location ?? May 1, 2012. Tuesday. 1754-1800*. OM talking very slowly, it sounds like Mandarin, with tinkly piano in background. Then another OM singing Chinesey song with guitar ?? accompaniment. Aoki, EiBi and DXLD A12 list nothing suitable. 5+1 time pips at 1800*, but couldn't make out the ID (in Mandarin). Poor. Jo'burg sunset 1538 (Bill Bingham, RSA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Bill, Per search via dxldyg: "DX Re Mix News 1 May"
Frequency changes of IBB:
Radio Free Asia
1600-1800 NF 5895 TINIAN 250 kW / 321 deg, ex 5855 in Mandarin
(Ron Howard, Monterey, Calif., USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. 6020, April 30 at 1343, R. Australia is no longer here, no QRMelbourne, but something in Chinese, poor signal with a bit of organ? music. Aoki and HFCC show CNR8 Mongolian service at 13-14 from Beijing 491 site; but it really sounded like Chinese, as I heard ``Mei Guo`` mentioned. V. of Vietnam-4, 20 kW from Daclac also scheduled, very unlikely.

Could it be Shiokaze, from Japan? That had been on 6020 lately, but Ron Howard reported April 29 it had just shifted to 5985, colliding with off-frequency Myanmar. If they were smart, they went right back to 6020 once R. Australia had left. Nothing audible here on 5985, nor anything expected a bihour after sunrise (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Like the saying "perhaps we crossed in the mail", I just saw you post

about 6020 and Australia. I just posted a log about it here. I heard what sounded like promos for Radio Australia programs, only in Chinese or Asian lang that sounds like it; ID understood. They weren`t there now. I`m going to monitor the frequency more carefully and see what is there (Rick Barton, AZ, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Of course, that makes sense --- R. Australia itself changed to Chinese on this `wrong` frequency, just as Indonesian is [was] on the wrong frequency [15240] (gh, DXLD) See AUSTRALIA

UNIDENTIFIED. 6055.003, 18.4 2205, weak carrier observed here with fade out at 2235. Direction LA. Maybe a sign of R Universo, URUGUAY? (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6568.2 kHz UNID --- Not sure what I was hearing here. Stumbled onto this around 2330 UT. Spanish language with music and announcer in AM mode. I see no listings for this out of band frequency, so perhaps pirate activity? Strong signal here in Virginia, though periodic fade outs. Signal abruptly dropped off at 2342. NRD545, 100 foot wire (Jon Mulcare, April 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9400, 0048-0059, 4.29.12. This is a rather sketchy log. Male in unknown language talking until abrupt off 0059:30 by my clock. Brief period of no signal on the frequency. R. Free Asia via Sitkunai in Uighur came on right at 0100. The only thing listed or discussed in Aoki, EiBi, or this year's DXLD (except now defunct Bulgaria) was Thazin Radio in Burmese. The language did not sound tonal, there have not been logs of Thazin Radio on this frequency recently, and reception from Burma / Myanmar at this time here being extraordinary makes that seem very unlikely. Anyone have an idea? (Mark Taylor, Madison, WI, This on WinRadio g313e, 40 meter dipole, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9540v, April 27 before 1400 notice a 1-kHz het or tone QRMing RHC, and was just about to measure it when it went off at 1401*. No het on 9560 today, but would not expect Ethiopia long-path to be that far off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9635, May 1 at 1354, very poor signal(s) with 1 kHz het or tone. Too weak to decide which. CRI Hindi via EAST TURKISTAN is scheduled at 13-14, and also CVC CHILE in Spanish at 12-22. CVC just moved its sign-on one hour later for the 29 April-1 Sept period when Chile is NOT on DST; resumes *1100 from 2 Sept. This must be for convenience of own staff as it`s irrelevant elsewhere in South America.

Is there anything else on 9635 which might be off-frequency? Not in

HFCC, but yes in Aoki: ``9635 Voice of Vietnam 1 2145-1700 1234567 Vietnamese 100 145 Hanoi-Sontay VTN 10522E 2112N VOV 1 a12`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15520, April 26 at 1421, 1000 Hz tone, then stepping down, resume 1 kHz, open carrier, repeat cycle at 1423, 1429 past 1430. In HFCC only thing scheduled at 14-15 is YFR in Marathi, 250 kW, 105 degrees via DHA, UAE. EiBi and Aoki agree, except in Hindi (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15704.5-SSB, April 26 at 1416, intermittent 2-way in Spanish, weak and weaker (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. EGYPT [tentative], 15817.770 ... wandered to x.775. UNID Arabic station noted around 1328-1400 UT April 25, could be R Cairo Abis of nominal 15800 kHz? Music and Arabic news program. Heard all over Europe and at best on Iceland remote network receiver unit (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 25, dxldyg via DXLD)

Re: V. of South Sudan --- This could be my UNIDENTIFIED Arabic station on 15817.770... .775 kHz of April 25th ? 73 wb

[later:] That was a wrong assumption: RUSSIA/TAJIKISTAN, 15817.530. So, checked now this range again on April 26th. Today Apr 26 appeared on various rxs here in Europe on 15817.530 kHz

Programm in \\ to Voice of Russia in Pashto, like Samara site 15510 kHz

Dari, Pashto

1200-1400	648	648	Dushanbe-TJK	1000	NE / ME
1200-1400	1503	1503	Dushanbe-TJK	500	NE / ME
1200-1400	4975	4975	Dushanbe-TJK	100	NE / ME
1200-1400	15510	15510	Samara	250	NE / ME

That spur coming from Samara Russia? or another wild speculation: mixture locally on Yangi Yul site between VoRUS 60 mb 4975 in Pashto and and RFA Tibetan on 15670 kHz at 12-14 UT. Signal will disappear at 1400 UT. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 26, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RUSSIA/TAJIKISTAN, So, checked now this range again on April 27th. Today appeared on various rxs here in Europe on 15817.700 kHz

Programm in \\ to Voice of Russia in Pashto, like Samara site 15510 kHz. Started at 1200:31 UT. 73 wb df5sx (B¸schel, ibid.)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1615:

Tnx to Will Martin, St. Louis, for a check in the mail to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED ON FUTURE EDITIONS OF WOR:

Thanks to Chuck Ermatinger, St Louis, for a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com

Hi Glenn, Thanks for all your ``all-killah, no-fillah`` DXLD work; the info in `LD has given me a lotta new loggings over the years --- & belated congratulations on DXLD`s 8th anniversary --- may there be many more (easy for me to say --- you do all the work!). Continued success with DXLD, good listening & happy Spring (with not so many tornados, ya?) Alla best from Encinitas (Dan Sheedy, with a check to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702)

PUBLICATIONS
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HINO NACIONAL OR HIMNO NACIONAL

Barry, if you are asking Google for "hino nacional" you will get the Brazilian anthem and those of other Portuguese speaking countries. If you type "himno nacional" you will get Spanish anthems. By adding the country name you will get the one you are asking for.

Many countries feature different versions, either instrumental or vocal, so you might have to discard versions that are not applicable.

I do not know if there is any useful English website offering what you are looking for. You may find it useful to look the anthems up, one after another, recording them and storing them in a file for later use. Listing the first stanzas of each anthem is also helpful. By recording the anthems yourself, you will gain two things, 1. a clickable list, 2. improved recognition ability.

In Mexico and Venezuela, you may hear a local provincial anthem alongside with the national anthem. XERF, 1570, is one example in point. They are online, but in order to help Google find what you are looking for, you will have to type "himno de + xxx", xxx in this case being "estado de Coahuila". The provincial hymns are usually vocal but the lyrics are also available online. 73, (Henrik Klemetz via RealDX,

via SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

Barry, There is a great app (at least for Iphone/Ipad) called ONE WORLD that delivers exactly what you are looking for (73, Anders Hultqvist via RealDX, ibid.)

You may try this site:
http://www.navyband.navy.mil/anthems/national_anthems.htm
(73, Gert Nilsson via RealDX, ibid.)

I got a question from our member Arne Nilsson if I had any information why the LASWLOGS no more is updated. As I had no idea I decided to contact our member Francesco Clemente to find out. FC informs me that he has been the one taking care of the updating process and he says his spare time since beginning of 2011 is limited due to a lot of travel in his work. He also sent this information which is new to me:

LATIN AMERICAN SW LOGS SEEKING NEW EDITOR
http://www.mcdxt.it/LASWLOGS.html

Announcement Sept. 15, 2011

Today we can look back on 5 years of work dedicated to LASWLOGS and with the support of MCDXT ñ the Mosquito Coast DX Team. Updating information so that it meets the needs of Latin American DXing fans has not been an easy task, especially not during the first months and years after taking over the job which was initiated by Mark Mohrmann. Today there is a solid platform of visitors, and a number of contributors ñ albeit not too many ñ have kept up the good work enabling us to remain at the forefront of updating Latin American DX developments.

Now we are about to meet other commitments within the DXing sphere, and so we are looking for someone who would like to follow in Mark Mohrmannís and our steps from the end of this year and onwards. Whoever, whether individual or organization, interested in taking care of the MCDXT job of keeping the LASWLOGS ñ Latin American SW Logs - updated, is welcome to get in touch with us. Please write to the usual address: LASWLOGS @ mcdxt.it Wishing you good Latin American DX hunting and all the best from distant Italy (Francesco Clemente, a member of MCDXT)

In a later mail I asked Francesco about the work involved keeping the log updated and he tells me that the only limits are maintaining "Mark's spirit" and obtaining independent Web addresses (the first editions?). The work involved is to dedicate a few hours a week and have a periodic update schedule of the Website (15d, 1m?). Who will be the new editor for this important website for us interested in the

remaining Latin American stations? (Thomas Nilsson, SW Bulletin April 29 via DXLD)

TO READERS OF JAPAN PREMIUM.

I made the decision to suspend publication of JAPAN PREMIUM. Thanks for the help of a very long period, and your post. Well, I'm running ham radio in SSB/CW on HF. I want to QSO with you someday.

Para los lectores de JAPAN PREMIUM. TomÈ la decisiÛn de suspender la publicaciÛn de JAP”N PREMIUM. Gracias por la ayuda de un perÌodo muy largo, y su mensaje. Bueno, me estoy quedando de radioaficionados en SSB / CW en HF. Quiero QSO con ustedes alg˙n dÌa.
73, and FB-DX! (IWATA, Gaku also JF1JAY, May 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Was already suspended late last year, but this is the final word, apparently. Had some useful logs, including clandestines, especially from Kouji Hashimoto. I wonder if he is still DXing and posting them anywhere else (in English). Gaku was never interested in publishing *any* of my logs, strangely enough, possibly because the English was too complex (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

SHORTWAVE BROADCASTER QSL CARDS

I don't know how many NASWA members are into QSLing SWBC stations. However, even after many years of DXing, I still enjoy, and am very active, QSLing shortwave broadcasting stations. I have created a page on my web site where I have listed more than 70 of the many of the shortwave broadcast QSLs I have received in the last year and a half.

Information about the QSLs I received is included as well as the address I used to send the report and the length of time it look to receive a reply.

The site is free and open to all and I invite you to take a look. The url of the page that has the QSL card information is: http://shortwavereport.com/?page_id=64

I hope those of you that take a look find it interesting. Any comments are welcome. Thanks (Steve, April 29, NASWA yg via DXLD) just text info, no illustrations of QSLs

UTILITY DXER`S QSL ADDRESS HANDBOOK

Hi Glenn, I thought you might be interested to know that my new book, Utility DXer's QSL Address Handbook is now available. I would appreciate if you might be able to mention it.

The 56 page Utility DXer's QSL Address Handbook published in April of 2012 contains the postal and Email addresses of many Utility stations located on all seven continents. Beside the addresses, many listings contain QSL information indicating the type of QSL the station issues, the preferred method of contact, information on station officials, verification signers and even comments and suggestions.

There are over 40 QSL images over half of which are in full color covering stations from North America, South America, Africa, Europe, Asia and Antarctica, and even outer space. There are also QSLs from ships and even one from the Strategic Air Command's "Looking Glass" aircraft.

The book is available for $14.95 plus shipping. For more information send an email to:
shortwavereport[at]yahoo.com

To prevent spam I have used [at] rather than @ in my email address. Please substitute @ instead of [at]

Thanks, (Steve Handler, IL, April 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AFRICA ON SHORTWAVE

A comprehensive country-by-country guide to domestic and external broadcasts from Africa, including selected opposition and target broadcasts to the African continent. The document is in pdf format. Updated April 2012. DOWNLOAD:
http://homepage.ntlworld.com/bdxcuk/africa.pdf
(Via @yimbergaviria, noticias dx yg via DXLD)

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JOHN PEEL'S RECORD COLLECTION GOES ONLINE
The Guardian, By Sean Michaels, 30 April 2012
http://www.guardian.co.uk/music/2012/apr/30/john-peel-record-collection-online

From Tuesday, music fans will be able to sift through the late DJ's vast archive as part of an expanding virtual museum. John Peel's record collection is about to go online. Starting on Tuesday, the John Peel Centre for Creative Arts will begin uploading details of the late DJ's cherished vinyl, unveiling 2,600 albums over the next six months.
http://johnpeelcentreforcreativearts.co.uk/

Every week, the Centre will expand the scope of its virtual museum, adding another 100 records, covering everything from Appalachian mountain music to zouk. "It's a very personal look at John's

collection," producer Charlie Gauvain said. According to Sheila Ravenscroft, Peel's widow, curators will highlight one artist from each batch, picking through more than 65,000 items in his archive. Peel kept meticulous files about his records: each sleeve was given a typed filing card, with all sorts of information.

"There'll be information about the record sleeve, front and back, all the information about the record itself, as well as whether John rated the album or not," Ravenscroft explained. Although copyright prevents the centre from streaming the records, links will be included, when available, to purchase or stream the music on Spotify and iTunes. "I think people are going to be very interested as to what's in the collection," Ravenscroft said. "They will be amused and intrigued by it."

Besides the details of Peel's records, the virtual museum will also include videos, and incorporate Peel's own home movies. Producers discovered 30 hours of footage at his home in Suffolk, with everything from clips of bands to footage from Liverpool's Anfield stadium. The website will apparently launch with John Peel's Suffolk Comforts, a 1989 film "that's never been broadcast before", Gauvain said. "It's a real gem Ö [with] some really personal things in it."

Peel died in 2004, after almost 40 years as a BBC radio DJ. He was 65.
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Just in case no one has seen this, the highly anticipated John Peel Archive went live this morning: http://thespace.org

Commence reminiscing and commiserating on the good old days when the BBC actually broadcast here... Saturday afternoons... cue blues intro... :-) (Mark Fine, swprograms via DXLD)

Radio: KFI, KHJ SHARED FREQUENCY IN EARLY DAYS

http://www.dailybreeze.com/lifeandculture/ci_20490186/radio-kfi-khj-shared-frequency-early-days
(via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

ON THE EARLY HISTORY OF WSUI [9YA]

Here is an article by Carl Menzer, written is 1968, the year of his retirement as director of WSUI, as it appeared in_The Iowa Transit_ -- a U of I College of Engineering newsletter ...
http://wsui.info/historicArchives/Carl%20Menzer-Transit-Nov%201968.pdf

And this from thirty years earlier ...
http://wsui.info/historicArchives/Sylvanus%20Ebert-Transit-Feb%201938.pdf

These articles are courtesy of the State Historical Society of Iowa Library, 402 Iowa Ave, Iowa City (Franklin Seiberling, Iowa City, DX LISTENING DIGEST) If you get an error message on the above by clicking upon, instead copy and paste

DIEXISTAS LATINOAMERICANOS --- photo gallery
Posted on abril 30, 2012

El hobby del Diexismo (captaciÛn radial de emisoras exÛticas, en particular por Onda Corta, aunque no exclusivamente) tuvo en LatinoamÈrica un crecimiento singular en la dÈcada de los 70s. Algunas fotos aportadas por el colega Juli·n Anderson, en Argentina, quien fuera editor de "Pampas DXing", nos aporta algunas fotos de los 80s.

http://lagalenadelsur.wordpress.com/2012/04/30/diexistas-latinoamericanos/

For English language readers: Thanks to DXer Julian Anderson, from Argentina, (editor of the remembered "Pampas DXing" DX Bulletin), here are some photos of LatinAmerican DXers, mainly from the 80s. Incomplete collection, but I will expand the post with new as they become available including other sources. Thanks, Julian! (Horacio Nigro Geolkiewsky, Montevideo, Uruguay, Mi blog: "La Galena del Sur" dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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REMOTE RECEIVERS: BENEFIT TO OR BANE OF THE HOBBY?
an editorial by Mark Coady

Today's SDR and SDR-capable receivers have a lot of neat features. One of them is the ability to hook them up to the internet and allow for remote tuning by DXers across the globe. This can be a godsend when listening to a weak DX station, through the static, and being able to compare reception with a more favourably placed receiver to see if you are really tuned into your DX target. I subscribe to Globaltuners http://www.globaltuners.com for just such a use. It can mean the difference between an unidentified logging and a probable or definite one.

Another possible use is to listen to a station that you have no hope of ever hearing and they have a limited or no internet presence. This gives a listener a chance to learn about the country or region by sampling their news and culture from the comfort of their own home.

Now this is all fine and good if remote receivers are used for what they were originally intended for. But there are those in the hobby

who use remote receivers to cheat.

You may be like the kid asking Shoeless Joe ìSay it ain't so!î but the truth is there are those who use remote receivers to send reception reports and collect QSL cards as if they had heard the station from their own QTH using their own equipment. Some have been bold enough to post images of their QSLs on hobby-related Facebook pages and have posted sound bytes of the reception with a picture of their own receiver tuned to the frequency on You Tube.

As well as being dishonest, this is possibly quite damaging to the hobby. With more and more stations realizing that QSL hunters are often not long time listeners these cheaters make a decision to stop responding to reception reports quite easy to make ñ effectively spoiling the enjoyment of a long standing part of the hobby for the close to 100% of honest DXers. And decisions to stop broadcasting on shortwave, altogether, are also made easier.

When noticing postings of suspect QSLs where the date and time of reception, compared to the actual signal path (such as a complete daylight path for tropical or 49 metre band reception), smells like a rat, assume it is and challenge the individual. We don't need cheaters to denigrate this great hobby. And we don't need them to give stations another excuse to quit shortwave altogether (Mark Coady, Ont., Cumbre DX via DXLD)

Interesting. To Mark`s point, remote receivers are but a tool and do not, IMHO replace a DX'er making a logging from their primary, physical location.

The USCG Command to which I am assigned offers a "Heard all LANTAREA NAVTEX Transmitter Award." One of the rules is, all loggings must be made from the DX'ers primary location. Loggings using remote receivers are not considered valid.

Why?

Besides presenting the hobby with a challenge, we study the reception data to first help validate the intended areas set forth in the SOLAS treaty are being covered. Secondly, we're checking our hours of darkness transmission are not interfering with other scheduled 518 NAVTEX services in other parts of the world.

A report from, say, a European DX'er using a Perseus in MA to hear a broadcast from COMMSTA Boston, (NMF) is not valid.

On the other side of the discussion, several of us have been chasing some Chinese regionals whose reception has been made possible by the

position of the Gray Line, this time of year. I can hear them starting about 2345 or so. Found today, by listening via a Perseus in the Faroe Is, at least [one] of them signs on at 2331. I published the logging for the sake of validating the signature tune we can hear directly at 0000Z. The logging was clearly identified that the reception did not take place at my QTH:

CHINA 4980 PBS Xinjang Urumqi from *2331:15Z SI/O. 1 KC Tuning tone till 2315 followed by 16 minutes of carrier. IS, ID and what sounds like a program schedule. Into programming. Heard on Perseus receiver in the Faroe Islands. RIPPEL, VA (VIA Remote Perseus) Audio, here: https://www.box.com/s/52ef057a112e7f976def

So, in this case, the remote receiver is employed as a tool by which to validate a logging made from my QTH. To review,

- Loggings made on remote receivers can not on their own, ethically be submitted, validating a DX'ers skills by counting that method of reception toward formal country/station counts.

- Reception of a given station where a remote receiver is used simultaneously with a local receiver ("Internet Diversity?") to ID a station or gather QSL data from an otherwise not fully copiable broadcast does, IMHO disquaify that particular logging from being published without a visible disclaimer.

If a DX'er wants to hear/gain insight what a particular DX stations T.O.H., sign on, sign off pattern is, then apply that knowledge to a different reception opportunity where only the DX'ers receiver and antenna are in use is, IMHO ethical. The method of how a remote receiver was employed should be included in the logging. Respectfully (Chuck Rippel, ibid.)

Yes, they are an important new aid in many situations and nothing wrong in using them, if the fact is clearly mentioned as you do below. Hopefully the problem of using them for fake reception reports (fortunately still very few cases) can be resolved somehow. BTW, Chuck, the Perseus you used was probably the one on Shetland Islands, but close enough. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

Mark, of course, states a problem, but, in my view, a small one. It certainly is possible to use remote receivers, GlobalTuners or the Perseus venues, to cheat and misrepresent "loggings" both to stations and, later, other DXers. And, surely, there are visible examples of those who have clearly done so. But "Bain [sic!] of the Hobby," I think, grossly overstates the extent of the problem.

There are US political elements who have been pushing hard for new

voter laws to curb what they allege to be rampant voter fraud, even though studies show fraud is a very minor problem that could be controlled with less draconian, less costly measures that would not hamper honest voters. It see Mark's remote receiver issue similarly. It is really a very serious issue; worth watching but not worrying overly about.

Bottom line is that in the DX hobby, QSLs prove nothing, and for decades never have. There always have been a tiny handful of cheaters, and always will be. It is no better nor any worse because of remote receivers.

If those cheaters think they can improve their reputation that way, they are mistaken. No serious DXer believes QSLs prove anything. I say that despite the fact that personally, I have always been an avid QSL seeker. But to me, a QSL is not proof, but a very welcomed acknowledgement from that station that closes the interactive circle: station transmits signal -- listener hears and reports -- stations receive reports and QSL in appreciation. To me, a logging isn't really finished until the final step, a reply is received.

But the verie is not proof. Unless I was honestly certain that I received a station, I would not report it. It isn't the QSL that proves to me that I was, indeed, listening to that particular station. A QSL is simply a nice conclusion to a logging.

It is not a QSL that gives a DXer status or respect or whatever other warm fuzzies that might accrue. The only thing that does, or should, count for a DXer is his reputation among his peers. As Mark notes, serious DXers can smell a fraudulent QSL a mile away. And nothing destroys a reputation faster than the odor of fraud.

So yes, we should watch for the few phonies, but I think cases of deliberate fraud are few and easily spotted. The beneficial aspects of remote receivers are as Mark states. The "bane of the hobby" phrase, in my view, overstates the extent of the actual problem, which is not unknown, but is rare and easily detectable. --don (Don Jensen, WI, NASWA yg via DXLD)

Honesty is essential if the shortwave/DXing hobby is to survive. I don't understand what satisfaction an individual can get from pretending to hear something at his/her location which is actually not audible there. One of the reasons ODXA has survived while some other clubs have folded is the honesty and integrity of its editors and members.

But Mark doesn't mention one of the legitimate uses of remote receivers, which enable broadcasters to check reception of their

shortwave transmissions far more quickly and easily than was possible in the past. As a matter of fact, HFCC members have access to quite a number of remote receivers which are password protected and not accessible to the general public. If they were, the problem Mark describes would be far worse (Andy (ex-RNW) Sennitt, Netherlands, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Mark and Don, In past used Global Tuners, would meet Cali[fornia?] DXers and would listen together. Detailed logs on Y-groups also misused for reception fake reports?

"Countries verified should Not greatly exceed countries heard" :-)

DXing the great source international friendship !!! (Bob Wilkner, FL, NASWA yug via DXLD)

It's clearly a benefit overall, based on what the hobby is for me. I have a few QSLs from my early listening days but they've never been my focus. So this aspect of QSL cheating is not something I lose any sleep over. I enjoying hearing broadcasters via remote receivers that are otherwise difficult to catch, especially since I can sneak a few minutes of listening to an Internet connected receiver while at work! Those who cheat have to live with their own consciences (Richard in Allentown, PA, Cuff, ibid.)

I suppose there are those would be unabashed using a remote receiver to cheat. It`s money and effort expended to prove.....? We can both remember the day when a Log Report editor would ferret out and simply not publish or worse, question such a logging in print. Has technology driven us full circle?

QSL's are certainly nice mementos to have and are a challenge unto themselves to collect. My choices changed from QSL's to audio cuts by the sheer cost of QSL'ing. That reminds me to digitize all the reel to reel and cassette tapes upon which are archived voices of SWBC history now gone (Chuck Rippel, VA, ibid.)

Please do. You remind me of the stories of how the early tapes of The Beatles and The Rolling Stones had become almost unplayable before they were digitized, and some actually had to be heated in an oven to get them to play one last time. Your own recordings may not quite be Version 1 Take 1 of Please Please Me, but as far as myself and this group is concerned losing them would be a historical loss (Louis Sica, Jr., ibid.)

FROM FILM STAR TO FREQUENCY-HOPPING INVENTOR

Hedy Lamarr, the sultry, sexy screen star of the 1930s and 1940s,

conceived of the technique now known as frequency-hopping spread spectrum.

In her 1992 book Feminine Ingenuity, Lamarr describes how she came up with the idea of a radio signaling device for remote-controlled torpedoes that would minimize the danger of detection or jamming by randomly shifting the transmitter's frequency. She and composer George Antheil developed the concept and received a patent for it in 1942.

"I read the patent," Franklin Antonio, chief technical officer of the cellular phone maker Qualcomm Inc, said in 1997. "You don't usually think of movie stars having brains, but she sure did."

The Lamarr/Antheil invention was described in CGC #369 & 374. The following article adds new insight.

http://www.todaysengineer.org/2012/Apr/backscatter.asp
(CGC Communicator April 30 via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See AUSTRALIA; ERITREA; INDIA; NEW
++++++++++++++++++++++++++ ZEALAND; NIGERIA; RUSSIA

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See also PORTUGAL
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TODAY'S FCC NEWS ON THE DTV COMPACTION PLAN

http://tinyurl.com/c56wpmx

A side note from this article: a mention that low power DTV's are now allowed to *partner* with full power network affiliates to be able to increase viewership (multicasting) without interfering with the full power stations must-carry arrangement.

An observation of the Springfield MO tv market (#78): even with technological advances such as internet, digital television, satellite TV, etc., etc., Springfield MO local TV stations must be totally off the cliff with adopting new ways to keep viewers interested in watching their local stations. I have contacted all of the GMs at all of the full power stations in Springfield and with the exception of PBS; not one of them is interested in adding additional programming. I am actually surprised that KOZL 28/27, as an independent now and the most powerful signal in Springfield, isn't even interested. But then maybe that's Nexstar. Way different from what it`s like in Denver, Colorado. Just my 2 cents worth (Jim Thomas, wdx0fbu, Springfield, Missouri, April 27, WTFDA via DXLD)

There's an awful lot of "...will be determined in a later proceeding."

in here. The highlights:

- Channel sharing is voluntary, no station will be required to split its channel.
- Stations will decide who they want to share with, the FCC will not assign sharing partners.
- At this time, only stations participating in the incentive auction will be eligible to share their channels.

(it had been announced earlier that stations will be allowed to basically auction their channels to wireless services. Stations that did so would go off the air. The channel sharing proceeding will allow them to continue to operate in cooperation with some other station that auctioned *its* channel.)

- When divvying up the channel, each station must keep enough bandwidth to operate one SD program.
- Each station in a sharing arrangement will hold a separate license and callsign. Each such station is responsible for compliance with FCC programming regulations on its own part of the channel.

(so if, for example, WLNY and WLIW share a channel, and WLNY decides not to keep a public file, WLNY will face a large fine -- but WLIW won't be sanctioned.)

(the release doesn't say what happens if the shared transmitter is operated at 200% of authorized power. I might guess each station would be sanctioned separately..)

- Only full-power and Class A stations are allowed to channel share. There had been discussion of allowing LPTVs to participate but that won't happen.
- The FCC anticipates situations where a full-power station and a Class A share a channel (not just two Class A's sharing with each other)
- They're still deciding what happens in that case -- whether to waive the Class A power limit to allow a -CA to share the transmitter of a full-power station.
- Strangely enough, they haven't decided what to do if a Class A that hasn't gone digital yet wants to share with a full-power station (seems to me this is a no-brainer: the -CA inherently switches to digital...)

- Commercial & non-commercial stations may share a channel. However, the FCC has not yet decided whether to allow them to share a non-commercial reserved channel. Looks to me as if they're inclined to allow it.
- Each station retains its existing must-carry rights (they may invoke

must-carry on one program stream per license).
- The Commission may in the future consider sharing arrangements that involve a station needing to change its city of license.

(for example, WLNY on Long Island wants to share with WMBC in New Jersey. WLNY can't deliver a city-grade signal to its city of license using the WMBC transmitter. So, the Commission may allow WLNY to change its C-O-L to a community the WMBC transmitter *does* reach. They even anticipate sharing arrangements that involve a station moving to a different *market*.)
-- (Doug Smith W9WI, Pleasant View, TN EM66 ibid.)

DIGITAL BROADCASTIING --- IBOC
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AFTER 13 YEARS, INVENTOR WAITS FOR HD RADIO TO BREAK OUT - Gusto

(There is a quote in here about superior reception. Try not to laugh.)

http://www.buffalonews.com/entertainment/gusto/article831033.ece

In 1999, when West Seneca native Robert Struble helped to launch IBiquity Digital, the nation's first digital radio corporation, he knew that selling the public on HD radio would take time.

After all, it took 40 years for AM radio listeners to tune into the FM dial. And a quarter-century passed before viewers of black-and-white television took to the NBC peacock.

Hybrid Digital radio, with its superior sound and reception -- and the ability to squeeze more channels into one frequency -- should be an obvious part of this digital media age. Yet after 13 years, HD radio has failed to match its expectations -- for many reasons.

"I don't think the industry has done a good job promoting it," said Joseph Puma, vice president, engineering and technology, for WNED broadcasting. "And I don't think IBiquity is getting manufacturers to make receivers for it. Table radios have not gone below $100, and most people don't want to pay that for a clock radio. If you were a classical music aficionado, you may be more apt to buy it."

WNED-FM (94.5) Buffalo-Toronto hopes its listeners will jump on the HD wagon by offering one-year free memberships (valued at $35) to those who buy a table-top HD radio after March 1, 2012, according to Megan M. Wagner, director of corporate communications.

WNED's offer comes shortly after its acquisition of WBFO 88.7 FM from the University at Buffalo. Two HD bands on the 88.7 FM frequency are

HD1, broadcasting National Public Radio, and HD-2, broadcasting JazzWorks.

"That's a cool promotion," said Struble, IBiquity's chief executive officer, from his Maryland home.

IBiquity is a developer of digital HD radio technology that was approved by the Federal Communications Commission in October 2002. The corporation was formed in 1999 after investors from the major broadcasting companies, including Clear Channel, Viacom and ABC, agreed to help bankroll and promote the technology.

Struble, a West Seneca West High School grad, moved to Boston in the early '80s to study engineering at MIT and earned an MBA from Harvard University.

"I always laugh that a couple of years ago I got an invitation to celebrate 25 years of digital television," said Struble. "These things take time. There's a massive install base of existing analog radios. There's a massive infrastructure of existing analog radio stations. [But] we have tremendous momentum and we're picking up steam."

More than 2,100 digital stations are on the air today, according to a recent report from Wireless News. Each of the top 250 markets has at least one HD radio station, according to Struble. Buffalo has at least 12 HD radio stations.

Unlike satellite radio, which requires listeners to pay subscription fees, HD radio is free, but people must first get a radio with an HD receiver.

Finding one can be a challenge. A recent, informal survey showed:

Best Buy, which offered a portable HD radio (with armband and ear buds) manufactured by Insignia, had two available at its Hamburg location, but since they were returns, a customer service representative was willing to knock off $10 from the original price of $49.99.
Radio Shack does not sell HD radios in store or online.
On eBay, a Jensen HD tabletop radio with iPhone docking was priced at $80.
An HD radio tuner from DaySequerra was on eBay for $1,582.24. [!]

Tom Donahue, a veteran radio broadcaster who teaches at Buffalo State College, sees the cost of HD radios as a deterrent. "HD has had its struggles, for the most part because people are not willing to buy another radio to pick it up," he said. "Television was a different animal. Once cable became a way of life, people were willing to pay a

couple of extra bucks a month for television programs they couldn't get anywhere else."

Radio reaches more than 236 million people ages 12 and older over the course of an average week, according to News Generation, a radio public relations firm in Bethesda, Md. Most adults — 73.1 percent — listen in the car. [sic with the enyes]

"Cars appear to be IBiquity's push over the past two years," noted Puma of WNED. "Up until recently, [HD car radios] were considered optional, but in the past couple of years they have found their way to standard."

At the National Association of Broadcasters trade show in April, it was announced that HD radio will be standard equipment on the 2013 Chevrolet Traverse, GMC Acadia and Buick Enclave. According to Struble, that brings the number of automotive brands offering HD radio to 28.

"Long gone are the days where it was just BMW, Mercedes and Land Rover," said Struble. "Chevy, Ford, Hyundai, Toyota and Volkswagen are mass market products."

HD broadcasts, meanwhile, are breaking out in more formats. In Boston, for example, WBOS-FM 92.9 is broadcasting "RadioYou Boston," featuring content programmed by college-age residents. Niche-oriented broadcasters also are leasing HD frequency space for comedy and ethnic programming.

"Those programs may not be supportable on a standalone analog station," said Struble. "There's not enough money to be made from people listening to Caribbean music, but those things make sense on HD."

Some heritage rock stations that may have lost their audience -- including Buffalo's WLKK-FM 107.7 TheLake -- have found a second life on HD.

In the meantime, WNED's Puma said HD radio merits a listen.

"Give it a try," he said. "The audio quality is probably secondary for most people, but the extra channels are worth the effort -- especially if you are in your car. You'll have four or five stations you didn't know existed." (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

Some Facts:
Radio Shack USED to try and sell HD table radios but Joe Consumer was NOT interested and radio shack was swamped with returns. FLOP.

A few tuners were made for home use such as the Sony Wonder Tuner and few others that connect to an existing stereo or computer speakers. Except for a few DXers that mainly bought them, these too did not move very well. The problem is not that radio needed to be reinvented; it needs CONTENT. Content has slid down the slope and consists of mostly commercial air time. As a result, Joe Consumer does not use traditional radio at home. He uses streaming and like methods to replace radio as it was known.

In the car, is a whole different matter. When Joe Consumer buys a car he really does not care in most cases what the radio consists of. The radio is something that is EMBEDDED in the dashboard and is built into the car. Joe consumer does not care if the signal is digital or analog. Joe Consumer doesn't care if the HD signal on AM trashes a first adjacent channel. Long as he stays within a few miles of the HD transmitter, he thinks the HD is a great thing.

Within the next few years, we may also start to see HD chips embedded in popular cell phones. Like a car, Joe Consumer does not care if a HD radio chip is embedded in his / her cell phone; it`s part of the phone. All this will count, as sales and share holders continue to be happy and this sick puppy will never die. However, if radio does not do something about content and reducing commercial loads, it all may no longer matter, period (starship20012001, ibid.)

The article completely neglects to mention the damage HD AM has caused to the AM band wherever it has been tried. I can see some benefits HD Radio has brought to the FM band with the extra channels available, but on AM it has been a disaster. Some people don't like it on FM either. 73 - (Todd WD4NGG Roberts, ibid.)

Maybe in another 15 years, when I'm 80 years old, HD may finally take off (Mike Bugaj, Enfield, CT, WTFDA via DXLD) Re same article above

I kinda liked the part about "...we have tremendous momentum..." Talk about Kool Aid [sic] (Russ Edmunds, WB2BJH, 15 mi NW of Philadelphia, ibid.)

Well, there may be some truth in that. "They had tremendous momentum as they were flung out the door. Then, SPLAT!" (Saul Chernos, ibid.)

Trying to increase the visibility of HD by putting the receivers in automobiles or personal mobile devices is about the worst thing they can do. I've tried HD in a mobile environment and it's a disaster. Many HD-1 stations are not time synched or audio level matched to the analog which causes intense frustration to any listener while in motion, especially in markets with rugged terrain. And having your HD-

2,3 or 4 revert to analog channel 1 on drop outs is completely unacceptable. Tabletop radios or fixed stereo receivers are the only devices where this technology even has a chance.

Many of the 15-40 year olds I talk to use streaming delivery methods including Spotify, Pandora or iHeart Radio. Streaming content via 4G and WiFi is where it's at now if not FM analog. HD is a niche. If it were really taking off, broadcasters would be selling ads on the HD subchannels and those subchannels would show up in the ratings. Which brings up an interesting question. Has any HD subchannel appeared in any market's Arbitron ratings ever? (Steve W., K3PHL, Northeast Pennsylvania, ibid.)

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Ever wonder what is going on in Sunspot, New Mexico? Check out this article from CNET:
http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-57419042-1/

(QST de W1AW, Propagation Forecast Bulletin 17 ARLP017 From Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, WA April 27, 2012, To all radio amateurs, via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

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Solar activity enhancement in average is expected,
in subrange 105 - 145 s.f.u., with irregular ccurrence
of C class and occasionally M class eruptions.

Geomagnetic field will be:
Quiet on May 3, 5 - 6, 12 - 13, 15 - 16, 18, 24 - 25.
Mostly quiet on Apr 30 - May 1, 4, 7, 14, 17.
Quiet to unsettled on May 2, 10 - 11, 23.
Quiet to active on May 8, 19 - 22.
Active on May 9.

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on May 7 - 9 and 19 - 20.

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Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels during the week. On 23/0200Z, data from the ACE spacecraft indicated the arrival of a CME from 19 April. Solar wind speed increased from

350 to 400 km/s and the total IMF approached 18 nT. The Boulder magnetometer recorded a 31 nT sudden impulse at 23/0325Z. Active to minor storm levels followed. IMF Bz at the ACE spacecraft lurked in the -10 to -15 nt range for 12 hours beginning around 23/16Z. By 24 April, activity reached major storm levles at mid latitudes during the 00-03Z period as effects from the CME were compounded by the arrival of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) around 0200Z.

On the 25th, activity at high latitudes reached severe storm levels during the 06-09Z synoptic period. The high speed stream peaked near 777 km/s on the 25th around 19Z then began a steady decline. Geomagnetic field activity subsided to unsettled levels on 27 April and quiet levels on 28-29 April. Late on the 27th, a slight bump in the wind speed at ACE suggested the arrival of the remnants of the CME from 23 April, however the geomagnetic field response was muted.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 30 APRIL - 26 MAY 2012

Solar activity is expected to be low with a chance for moderate events through the forecast period. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels 30 April, 11-14 May and 23-26 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet with the exception of active periods on 9-11 May and 20-23 May associated with recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2012 Apr 30	110	5	2
2012 May 01	105	5	2
2012 May 02	105	5	2
2012 May 03	105	5	2
2012 May 04	105	5	2
2012 May 05	110	5	2
2012 May 06	110	5	2
2012 May 07	115	5	2

2012 May 08	115	5	2
2012 May 09	120	15	5
2012 May 10	130	15	5
2012 May 11	130	8	4
2012 May 12	130	5	2
2012 May 13	135	5	2
2012 May 14	140	8	3
2012 May 15	140	8	3
2012 May 16	140	5	2
2012 May 17	140	5	2
2012 May 18	135	5	2
2012 May 19	135	5	2
2012 May 20	135	10	4
2012 May 21	135	15	5
2012 May 22	130	15	5
2012 May 23	125	15	5
2012 May 24	120	8	3
2012 May 25	115	5	2
2012 May 26	110	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1615, DXLD)

ONDREJOV SOLAR-ACTIVITY FORECAST FOR MAY 4-10

Activity level: mostly low
Radio flux (10.7 cm): a fluctuation in the range 105-135 f.u.
Flares: weak (0-8/day), middle (0-2/period)
Relative sunspot number: in the range 40-120

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